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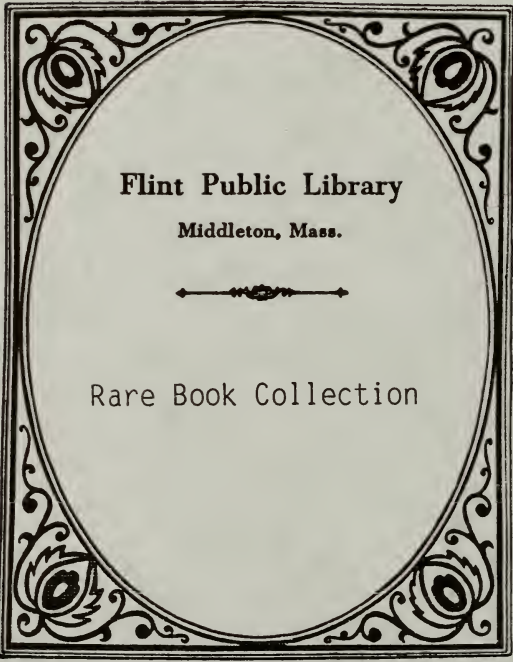
REPORT
OF THE
Receipts and Expenditures
OF THE
Town of Middleton
FOR THE
Year Ending December 31, 1951



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Middleton, Mass.



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Town Meeting Warrant



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Essex, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Middleton, in the County of Essex:

GREETING.

In the name of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Howe-Manning School Auditorium in said Middleton on the eleventh day of March next, at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:—

- ARTICLE 1. To hear and act on Committee Reports.
- ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1952, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew such notes or note as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 17, of the General Laws.
- ARTICLE 3. To see what action the Town will take to defray the Town expenses for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for Chapter 90 Highway construction on Essex Street; said sum to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by State and County for this purpose.
- ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for Chapter 90 Maintenance, said funds to be used in conjunction with any money allotted by the State for this purpose.
- ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,800.00 for Chapter 81 Highway Maintenance work; said funds to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State for this purpose.
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- ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Assessors to use such free cash in the Treasury as they, in their best judgment, feel is warranted, for the purpose of reducing the tax rate.
- ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for Surveying and Laying-out of streets.
- ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to have the Moderator appoint a Committee of five to investigate and study the provisions of Chapter 662 of the Acts of 1949, the act relative to the organization of union health departments, and to study existing public health services and facilities in the Town and to determine the advantages to be derived from Middleton joining with neighboring Towns for a Town Union Health Department. This Committee to report its findings and recommendations at a future Town meeting.
- ARTICLE 10. On the petition of Dominic Pellicelli and 17 others. To see if the Town will vote to excavate and gravel Bow Street for a distance of three hundred feet (300 ft.) and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the same.
- ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to place signs at the entrance of Town on Boston Street, East Street and Maple Street.
- ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 781 of the Acts of 1951 increasing the allowances made under the Essex County Retirement Fund.
- ARTICLE 13. On petition of the Board of Health. To see if the Town will vote to have a committee of five citizens appointed by the moderator to find a suitable dumping location, and this committee to authorized to take an option to purchase such property and report to the next annual Town meeting.
- ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to elect a board of three Selectmen, one for a term of one year, one for a term of two years and one for a term of three years at the annual town meeting of 1953 and to elect one member each year thereafter for a term of three years, as authorized by the provision of General Laws (ter. Ed) Chapter 41 Section 1.

To transact any other business that may lawfully come before this meeting.

You are hereby ordered to notify and warn said qualified voters to meet at the Town Hall, on Monday, March 27 next for the following purposes, viz: To choose by ballot the following Town Officers for the ensuing year:

Moderator, Town Clerk, three Selectmen, one Assessor for three years, one Assessor for one year (to fill vacancy of unexpired term), one member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years, Highway Surveyor, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, Constable, Superintendent of Burials, one Electric Light Commissioner, for three years, two members of the School Committee for three years, one member for two years, two Trustees of the Flint Public Library for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, Custodian of Town Hall, one member of the Planning Board for five years.

The polls will be open at 7:00 A.M. and shall be closed at 7:00 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Post Office, and Store at Howe Station in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this sixteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-two.

A true copy. Attest:

JAMES W. WENTWORTH, Constable.

WILBUR C. RUNDLETT, JR.

JAMES H. COFFIN

Selectmen of Middleton.



Annual Report

for the

Town of Middleton

Massachusetts

1951





Town Officers Elected 1951

Moderator

Wilbur Witham

Town Clerk

Elmer P. Morrill

Selectmen and Board of Health

Wilbur C. Rundlett, Jr., Chairman

James H. Coffin, Clerk

George B. Ogden

Board of Public Welfare

Alexander Fraser, Chairman (1953)

Charles Pasquale (1954)

Leyland A. Phillips (1952)

Board of Assessors

Paul B. Wake, Chairman (1954)

Harold M. Bishop, Clerk (1953)

Daniel J. Donovan (1952)

(Resigned)

William G. Birch (1952)

Treasurer

Edward H. Leary (1953)

Tax Collector

Harold E. Tyler

Highway Surveyor

John J. Hocter

Constable

James W. Wentworth

School Committee

Eben L. Jewett, Chairman (1952)

Rosamond L. Bastable, Clerk (1952)

Harry F. Luscomb (1954)

Harold F. Purdy (1953)

Raymond R. Maxwell (1954)

TOWN OFFICERS

Electric Light Commissioners

Richard B. Floyd, Chairman (1954)
Gus L. Fischer, Clerk (1952) Charles C. Bates (1953)

Cemetery Commissioners

Harold F. Purdy (1953) Richard N. Maxwell (1954)
William W. Richardson (1952)

Superintendent of Burials

Charles W. Baker

Tree Warden

Clarence Osgood

Planning Board

Albert C. Murray, Chairman (1955)
Alton W. Hubbard, Clerk (1954) Harold I. Nash (1953)
Eben L. Jewett (1952) Arthur S. Tuttle (1956)

Trustees Flint Public Library

William H. Sanborn, Chairman (1954)
William T. Martin (1953) Paul B. Wake (1953)
Harold Y. Smith (1952) Elmer O. Campbell, Jr. (1952)
Carl C. Jones (1954)

Custodian of Town Hall

Arthur K. Fuller

Town Officers Appointed 1951

Registrars of Voters

Ernest P. Goodale, Chairman (1953)
Joseph T. Lee (1952) Lloyd H. Getchell (1954)
Elmer P. Morrill, Clerk (Ex-Officio)

Zoning Appeal Board

William H. Sanborn, Chairman,

William T. Martin
Beaumont Hurd

Chester K. Masse
Vincent J. Perry

Finance Committee

Hazen M. Richardson, Chairman (1952)

Joseph R. Hilyard (1954)

Robert T. Sperry, Clerk (1954)

Elmer C. McIntyre (1952)

Lew A. Batchelder (1953)

Chief of Police

James W. Wentworth

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Ralph I. Wennerberg

Inspector of Cattle and Slaughtering

Murray Bullerwell

Town Accountant

Elmer O. Campbell (1954)

Forest Fire Warden

Harold F. Purdy

Chief of Fire Department

Harold F. Purdy

Superintendent of Cemeteries

Charles W. Baker

Moth Superintendent

Clarence Osgood, Jr.

Electric Light Manager

Robert F. Thomas

Town Counsel

James J. Gaffney

Health Agent

Charles Pasquale
Mary Wilson, Assistant

Welfare Agent

James A. Powers

Building Inspector

Earl F. Jones

Wire Inspector

Frank E. Dow

TRUSTEES**B. F. Emerson Fund**

Naumkeag Trust Company, Salem, Massachusetts
Roger F. Clapp
Harley M. Tyler
William H. Sanborn

Mansfield Fund

Old Colony Trust Company, Boston, Mass.

David Cummings Fund

Board of Public Welfare

Annual Report

of the

Town Accountant

1951

ANNUAL REPORT
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
Year Ending Dec. 31, 1951

RECEIPTS
GENERAL REVENUE

TAXES:

CURRENT YEAR:

Property	\$ 113,127.49
Poll	1,396
Loss of Taxes from State	2,245.30

PREVIOUS YEARS:

Property	9,261.96
Poll	20.00
Tax Title redemptions	2,165.14

FROM THE STATE:

Corporation	10,899.48
Income	25,664.33

\$164,779.70

LICENSES AND PERMITS:

Liquor	2,800.00
All others	237.00

3,037.00

FINES:

District Court	270.00
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270.00

GRANTS AND GIFTS:

FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:

Old Age Assistance	18,382.55
Aid to Dependent Children	2,261.23

20,643.78

FROM STATE EDUCATION:

Support of Schools	526.54
Vocational Education	384.41
High School Transportation	3,273.50

 4,184.45

FROM STATE FOR OTHER PURPOSES:

Highway (Chapter 81)	8,524.72
Inspector of Animals	100.00
Meal Tax	649.40

 9,274.12

FROM COUNTY:

Dog Licenses	739.98
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 739.98

ALL OTHER GENERAL REVENUE:

Tax Possessions	175.00
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 175.00

PRIVILEGES:

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	15,861.68
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 15,861.68

 DEPARTMENTAL
GENERAL GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE:

Selectmen	45.19
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FINANCIAL:

Accountant	25.00
Treasurer	38.25

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS:

Town Hall	296.00
Memorial Hall	1,020.00

 1,424.44

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

Police	10.00
Fire (Insurance)	114.41
Building Inspection	91.00
Sealing of Weights and Measures	84.70
Dog Officer	91.00

391.11

HEALTH:

Tuberculosis	134.29
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134.29

HIGHWAYS:

General	649.40
Chapter 90, Construction	6,000.00
Chapter 90, Maintenance	1,999.99
Truck and machinery rental	5,392.80
Insurance	233.93

14,276.12

CHARITIES:

REIMBURSEMENTS FOR RELIEF:

From Cities and Towns	260.15
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REIMBURSEMENTS FOR AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN:

From State	2,120.58
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REIMBURSEMENTS FOR OLD AGE ASSISTANCE:

From Individuals	1,271.01
From Cities and Towns	2,162.42
From State	19,260.68

25,074.84

VETERANS' SERVICES:

From State	94.00
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94.00

SCHOOLS:

Supplies	11.72
Hall rental	5.00
Lunches	12,262.07

 12,278.79

UNCLASSIFIED:

Hydrant (Insurance)	205.25
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 205.25

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT:

Sale of Light and Power	114,992.31
Miscellaneous	1,075.00
Depreciation Fund	3,128.82

 119,196.13

PUBLIC SCALES:

40.15

 40.15

 \$119,236.28

CEMETERIES:

Sale of Lots and Graves	210.00
Care of Lots and Graves	710.00
Care of Endowed Lots	523.00

 1,443.00

INTEREST:

On deposits	43.15
On deferred taxes	425.22
On excise taxes	69.21
Mansfield Fund	1,430.00

 1,967.58

AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT:

Beverage licenses	10.00
Dog licenses	894.80
Perpetual care funds	1,165.00
Withholding taxes	8,839.43
Retirement fund deductions	2,326.88
Blue Cross	578.04
Meter deposits	480.00
Tailings	4.75
Rehabilitation fund	10,888.18

25,187.08
REFUNDS:

Special assessment	200.00
General departments	888.79
Public service enterprises	3.59

1,092.38

Total receipts	421,770.87
Cash balance January 1, 1951	205,516.25

\$627,287.12
EXPENDITURES

**DEPARTMENTAL
GENERAL GOVERNMENT
MODERATOR**

Salary

Wilbur Witham, Moderator	50.00
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50.00

50.00

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Expenses

Association dues	10.00
Mileage expenses	16.00

26.00

26.00

SELECTMEN

Salaries

James H. Coffin	250.00
George B. Ogden	250.00
Wilbur C. Rundlett, Jr.	250.00

750.00

Expenses

Supplies and printing	76.39
Advertisement	86.75
Postage	17.64
Essex Street water	8.44
Mileage and expenses	27.00
Survey	49.78
Association dues	34.00

300.00

1,050.00

ACCOUNTANT

Salary

Elmer O. Campbell	700.00
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700.00

Expenses

Supplies	77.87
Association dues	3.00

80.87

Office Equipment

Adding machine	260.10
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260.10

1,040.97

TREASURER

Salary

Marion E. Mitchell	156.66
Edward H. Leary	543.34

700.00

Expenses

Supplies	103.50
Postage	126.63
Mileage and expenses	58.05
Clerical assistance	50.00
Bank charges	28.32
Association dues	2.00
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	368.50

TAX TITLE EXPENSES

Registry of Deeds	35.75
Deeds	9.00
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	44.75
	1,113.25

TAX COLLECTOR

Salary

Harold E. Tyler	700.00
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	700.00

Expenses

Supplies and printing	181.42
Postage	157.68
Tax takings	15.90
Deputy Collector's fees	15.00
Clerical assistance	75.00
Mileage—telephone	73.58
Association dues	2.00
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	520.58

Office Equipment

Desks and chairs	75.00
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	75.00
	1,295.58

ASSESSORS

Salaries

Paul B. Wake	525.00
Daniel J. Donovan	485.42
William G. Buck	178.13
Harold M. Bishop	273.50

 1,462.05

Expenses

Forms—supplies	133.85
Clerical services	175.00
Office expenses—telephone	107.38
Mileage—expenses	67.00
Postage	14.94
Abstracts	87.83
Association dues	9.00

 595.00

2,057.05

LAW DEPARTMENT

Salary

James J. Gaffney	400.00
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Expenses

Mileage—court fees, etc.	154.85
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554.85

TOWN CLERK

Salary

Elmer P. Morrill	400.00
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Expenses

Postage—supplies	66.50
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466.50

ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS

Salaries—Registrars of Voters

Ernest P. Goodale	25.00
Lloyd H. Getchell	25.00
Joseph T. Lee	25.00
Elmer P. Morrill	25.00

 100.00

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

17

Expenses

Election officers	84.00
Lunches	19.79
Printing ballots	45.00

148.79

248.79

PLANNING BOARD

Expenses

Clerical work	3.00
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TOWN HALL

Salary

Arthur K. Fuller, janitor	730.00
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Expenses

Fuel and light	490.38
Water and telephone	147.45
Repairs and supplies	68.75

706.58

1,436.58

MEMORIAL HALL

Salary

Charles S. Clinch, Jr., janitor	300.00
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Expenses

Fuel and light	907.16
Repairs and supplies	147.76

1,054.92

1,354.92

MEMORIAL HALL ALTERATIONS

Expenses

Labor and material	484.43
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484.43

11,181.92

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

CONSTABLE'S SALARY

James H. Wentworth	35.00
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POLICE DEPARTMENT

Salaries and wages

James H. Wentworth	3,120.00
Lloyd H. Getchell	885.20
Joseph Peters	253.00
Arthur Doane	158.40
William C. Pennock	100.10
Harold Moore	8.80
Alexander Fraser	1.10
Matron	8.63

4,535.23

Expenses

Gasoline—oil—repairs	993.12
Office expense—telephone	327.48
Marking traffic lines	50.86
Supplies	185.22
Equipment	41.50
Expenses	17.15
Association dues	5.00

1,620.33

POLICE CAR

Nassar Motor Co.

1951 Ford Sedan	810.15
Advertisements	7.50

817.65

POLICE STRETCHER

Stretcher for Police car	170.00
Blankets	23.00
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	193.00

7,166.21

CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Expenses	
Equipment	485.06
Supplies	24.88
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	509.94

509.94

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Salaries	
Chief	200.00
Deputy Chief	75.00
Captain	50.00
Four Lieutenants	122.50
Forest Warden	50.00
Firemen	210.00
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	707.50

Expenses	
Wages	863.75
Gasoline and oil	116.40
Equipment and repairs	1,271.53
Fire Alarm	932.66
Fuel and light	379.54
Building maintenance	212.13
Office expenses—telephone	355.08
Insurance	220.15
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	4,351.24

5,058.74

BUILDING INSPECTION

Salary	
Earl F. Jones, Inspector	300.00
Expenses	
Mileage—telephone—postage	60.49
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	360.49

BOARD OF APPEALS

Expenses

Hearing advertisements	48.93
Postage—supplies	12.02
Typing	60.50

 121.45

121.45

WIRE INSPECTION

Salary

Frank E. Dow, Inspector	100.00
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Expenses

Mileage—postage, etc.	13.76
Supplies	15.00

 28.76

128.76

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Salary

Ralph Wennerberg, Sealer	125.00
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Expenses

Transportation	63.00
Supplies	11.07

 74.07

199.07

FORESTRY—MOTH DEPARTMENT

Wages

Labor	598.65
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 598.65

Expenses

Truck hire	279.75
Supplies	318.87
Association dues	2.00

 600.62

1,199.27

TREE WARDEN

Wages			
Labor	751.39		
		751.39	
Expenses			
Truck hire	95.50		
Equipment hire	76.00		
Supplies	73.17		
Expenses	3.00		
		247.67	
			999.06

POISON IVY CONTROL

Wages			
Labor		146.30	
			146.30
Expenses			
Truck hire	75.00		
Supplies	77.98		
		152.98	
			299.28

DUTCH ELM DISEASE CONTROL

Wages			
Labor		167.75	
			167.75
Expenses			
Truck hire	14.00		
Equipment hire	18.00		
		32.00	
			199.75

TREE REMOVAL

Conley Tree Surgeons	90.00		
		90.00	
			16,367.02

HEALTH AND SANITATION

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Salaries

Charles Pasquale, Agent	40.00	
Mary Wilson, Asst. Agent	20.00	
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		60.00

Expenses

Care of patients	72.00	
Care of dump	1,341.05	
Care and deposing of dogs	97.50	
Vital statistics	221.00	
Advertisements	20.50	
Mileage	16.26	
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		1,768.31
		1,828.31

ESSEX SANATORIUM ASSESSMENT

County Treasurer	<hr/> 2,252.47	
		2,252.47

DENTAL CLINIC

Dr. E. J. Connolly	102.00	
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		102.00

INSPECTOR OF CATTLE AND SLAUGHTERING

Salary

Murray Bullerwell, Inspector	300.00	
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		300.00
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		\$4,482.78

HIGHWAYS

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Wages		
Labor		3,154.65
Expenses		
Truck hire	194.90	
Supplies	753.40	
Asphalt	58.90	
Sand and gravel	17.69	
Office expenses	29.20	
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		1,054.09
		4,208.74

CHAPTER 81—MAINTENANCE

Wages		
Labor		5,224.00
Expenses		
Truck hire	2,413.25	
Equipment hire	457.60	
Asphalt	3,879.61	
Sand and gravel	1,0005.29	
Supplies	463.06	
Office expenses—telephone	160.78	
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		8,379.59
		13,603.59

CHAPTER 90—MAINTENANCE

Wages		
Labor		659.80
Expenses		
Truck hire	151.20	
Roller hire	40.80	
Asphalt	196.60	
Sand	66.81	
Culvert—Fence	1,884.76	
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		2,340.17
		2,999.97

CHAPTER 90—CONSTRUCTION

Wages			
Labor		2,774.30	
Expenses			
Truck hire	1,709.70		
Equipment hire	1,442.65		
Asphalt—Gravel	39.53		
Supplies	235.29		
		3,427.17	
			6,201.47

SNOW

Wages			
Labor		2,060.45	
Expenses			
Truck hire	2,881.00		
Repairs and supplies	412.48		
Sand and salt	1,003.40		
State Highway	17.13		
		3,714.01	
			5,774.46

ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT

Gasoline and oil	1,312.83		
Parts and repairs	1,106.59		
Storage	540.00		
Insurance and registration	76.85		
Supplies	391.31		
		3,427.58	
			3,427.58

STREET LIGHTING

Middleton Electric Light Dept.	3,500.00	
		3,500.00

HIGHWAY TRUCK

Nassar Motor Co.			
1951 Ford truck	2,995.00		
Lettering	5.00		
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		3,000.00	
			3,000.00

TRAFFIC LIGHTS

Middleton Electric Light Dept.	12.81		
			12.81
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			\$42,728.62

CHARITIES

PUBLIC WELFARE

Salaries

Alexander Fraser	150.00
Charles Pasquale	150.00
Leyland Phillips	175.00

 475.00

Expenses

Administration	60.25
Cash	163.90
Groceries—fuel, etc.	54.50
Medical aid	82.00
Other cities and towns	3,310.50

 3,671.15

4,146.15

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Administration

Central Essex Welfare District	2,010.00
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2,010.00

Aid

Cash	41,974.79
Other cities and towns	1,060.36

 43,035.15

43,035.15

AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Aid

Cash	5,397.65
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5,397.65

 \$54,588.95

VETERANS' SERVICES

Salary			
	James H. Ogden, Agent	250.00	
Aid			
	Cash	624.00	
	Groceries—fuel—rent	404,60	
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		1,028.60	
			\$1,278.60

SCHOOLS

Salaries

Teachers and supervisors	35,115.76
Superintendent	733.99
Doctor	300.00
Nurse	570.00
Janitor	2,263.50
Attendance officer	39.12
Census	100.00
Clerk	148.80

39,271.17

Expenses

Superintendent—expenses	248.78
Office expenses	447.43
Books and supplies	3,827.19
Building maintenance	1,324.81
Fuel and light	2,286.30
Transportation	6,376.00
Tuition	18,111.78
Furniture	198.95
Graduation expenses	19.90

32,841.86

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Expenses

Tuition	458.15
Transportation	72.00

530.15

72,643.18

SCHOOL LUNCH

Expenses

Labor and supplies	12,777.64
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12,777.64

SCHOOL ADDITION

Labor			
Clerk of works		3,109.44	
Expenses			
Contractor	111,158.55		
Architect	2,422.80		
Supplies	386.42		
		113,967.77	
			117,077.21

SCHOOL ADDITION EQUIPMENT

Expenses			
Advertisements	64.80		
Furniture and fixtures	3,106.38		
		3,171.18	
			\$120,248.39

LIBRARY

Salaries			
On Order		1,151.09	
Expenses			
On Order		1,613.01	
			2,764.10
For complete report see Trustees report			

RECREATION
PARK

Wages			
Labor		509.80	
Expenses			
Supplies	155.36		
Storage	50.00		
Water	3.86		
		209.22	
			719.02

UNCLASSIFIED

ANNUITY

C. Alice Manning	1,627.50	1,627.50
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INSURANCE

Workmen's compensation and liability	835.69	
Buildings—blanket policy	4,359.11	
Vehicles—fire and theft	59.37	
Clerk's bond	5.00	
Collector's bond and burglary insurance	158.83	
Treasurer's bond and burglary insurance	123.32	
	5,541.32	5,541.32

MEMORIAL DAY

Band	192.00	
Flowers, wreaths, flags	125.75	
Speaker and music	42.00	
Refreshments	29.88	
Printing	10.00	
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	399.63	399.63

PRINTING TOWN REPORTS

Newhall Printers, printing	681.00	
Delivering reports	21.00	
Advertisement	13.50	
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	715.50	715.50

REPLACING HYDRANT

Danvers Water Dept.	205.25	
		205.25

MANSFIELD FUND

Concerts	168.00	
Picnic	599.86	
Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets	425.00	
	1,192.86	
		1,192.86
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		\$10,196.96
		\$9,682.06

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

Salaries

Commissioners

Richard B. Floyd	100.00
Charles G. Bates	100.00
Gus L. Fischer	100.00
Office	2,960.00

3,260.00

Energy

Salem Electric Lighting Co.	75,898.36
Danvers Electric Light Dept.	101.64

76,000.00

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION

Wages

C. T. Brackett	1,695.10
Charles S. Clinch, Jr.	1,248.70
Raymond H. Currier	3,724.50
Benjamin Nimblett	3,554.40
Robert F. Thomas	4,167.20
Willis W. Esty	88.00

14,477.90

Expenses

Sub Station equipment	700.00
Poles and wire	5,088.68
Meters and transformers	3,439.70
Street light equipment	716.28
Office equipment	185.00
Miscellaneous equipment	164.28
Supplies	3,467.76
Maintenance of meters and transformers	166.82
Maintenance of street lights	173.86
Office supplies	970.69
Insurance	792.90
Maintenance of trucks	1,132.66
Depreciation	3,128.82

20,127.45

DEPRECIATION FUND

Reconstruction So. Main		
street line	3,334.17	
Truck and special body	3,140.45	
Transformers	2,383.52	
Truck exchange	51.00	
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	8,909.14	
		122,774.49

PUBLIC SCALES

Salary		
Ralph Wennerberg, Weigher	25.00	
		25.00

CEMETERIES

Salaries

Commissioners

William W. Richardson	20.00
Harold F. Purdy	20.00
Richard N. Maxwell	20.00

Supt. of Burials

Richard N. Maxwell	7.50
Charles W. Baker	22.50

90.00

Expenses

Labor	3,217.75
Truck hire	130.00
Supplies	62.30
Water	11.62

3,421.67

OPENING GRAVES

Expenses

Labor	588.45
Truck hire	14.00

602.45

Equipment

Power mower	86.00
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\$4,200.12

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

LOANS

New school construction loan	2,000.00	
School addition loan	10,000.00	
Old school alteration loan	2,000.00	
Tractor purchase loan	2,000.00	
		16,000.00

INTEREST

New school loan	240.00	
Old school loan	20.00	
School addition loan	3,290.00	
Tractor purchase loan	25.00	
		3,575.00
		19,575.00

AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

State Audit	100.31	
State parks and reservations	318.47	
Count tax	6,826.12	
Dog licenses to County	897.20	
Withholding tax, deductions	8,825.63	
Retirement fund, deductions	2,170.07	
Retirement fund, assessment	1,898.58	
Blue Cross	578.04	
Meter deposits	565.00	
Beverage license	10.00	
		22,189.42

TRUST

Deposit of endowment funds	1,165.00	
		23,354.42

REFUNDS

1950 Motor vehicle excise tax	97.08
1951 Motor vehicle excise tax	382.39
1951 Real estate tax	17.60

 497.07

497.07

 Total expenditures
 Cash balance December 31, 1951

519,888.38

 107,398.74

 \$627,287.12

TRANSFERS FROM RESERVE FUND

Selectmen's office furnishings	575.00
Retirement fund assessment	200.00
Opening graves	102.45
Police expense	80.00
Police car	32.65
Accountant office equipment	50.10
Board of appeals expenses	50.00

 1,090.20

Recapitulation of Departmental Appropriation Transfers and Expenditures

December 31, 1951

	Appropriation Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Moderator, salary	\$50.00	50.00	
Finance Committee, expenses	30.00	26.00	4.00
Selectmen, Salaries	750.00	750.00	
Expenses	300.00	300.00	
Clerk	250.00		250.00
Office Furnishings	575.00		575.00*
Accountant, Salary	700.00	700.00	
Expenses	100.00	80.87	19.13
Office Equipment 185.00			
Transfer 75.40	260.10	260.10	
Treasurers Salary	700.00	700.00	
Expenses	368.50	368.50	
Tax Titles expenses	250.00	44.75	205.25
Collectors Salary	700.00	700.00	
Expenses 520.00			
Refund 1.01	521.01	520.58	.43
Office Equipment	75.00	75.00	
Assessors Salaries	1,500.00	1,462.05	37.95
Expenses	595.00	595.00	
Town Counsel Salary	400.00	400.00	
Expenses 150.00			
Transfer 100.00	250.00	154.85	95.15
Town Clerk Salary	400.00	400.00	
Expenses	103.00	66.50	36.50
Elections and Registrations Salary	100.00	100.00	
Expenses	150.00	148.79	1.21
Planning Board Expenses	100.00	3.00	97.00
Town Hall Salary	730.00	730.00	
Expenses 1,200.00			
Refund 4.09	1,204.09	706.58	497.51
Memorial Hall Salary	300.00	300.00	
Expenses	1,100.00	1,054.92	45.08
Alterations	600.00	484.43	115.57*

		Appropriation Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Constable Salary		35.00	35.00	
Police Salary		3,120.00	3,120.00	
Wages		1,463.20	1,415.23	47.97
Expenses	1,566.00			
Transfer	80.00			
Refunds	4.82	1,650.82	1,620.33	30.49
Car	585.00			
Transfer	32.65	817.65	817.65	
Stretcher		200.00	193.00	7.00
Civilian Defense Expenses		1,231.55	509.94	721.61*
Fire Salaries		715.00	707.50	7.50
Expenses	4,409.41			
Transfer	3.59	4,413.00	4,351.24	61.76
Building Inspector Salary		300.00	300.00	
Expenses		75.00	60.49	14.51
Board of Appeals				
Expenses	125.00			
Transfer	50.00	175.00	121.45	53.55
Wire Inspector Salary		100.00	100.00	
Expenses		50.00	28.76	21.24
Sealer of Weights and Measures				
Salary		125.00	125.00	
Expenses		75.00	74.07	.93
Moth Expenses		1,200.00	1,199.27	.73
Tree Warden Expenses		1,000.00	999.06	.94
Tree Removal		90.00	90.00	
Poison Ivy Control		300.00	299.28	.72
Dutch Elm Disease Control		200.00	199.75	.25
Health Expenses		2,000.00	1,828.31	171.69
Dental Clinic		500.00	102.00	398.00
Inspector of Slaughtering Salary		100.00	100.00	
Inspector of Cattle Salary		200.00	200.00	
Road Machinery Fund				
Balance	3,835.81			
Receipts	5,424.20	9,260.01	5,427.58	3,832.43*
Highway		4,233.25	1,208.74	24.51
Chapter 81	4,800.00			
State	8,800.00			
Refund	3.59	13,603.59	13,603.59	
Chapter 90				
Maintenance	2,000.00			
State	1,000.00	3,000.00	2,999.97	.03

		Transfers Appropriation	Expended	Balance Unexpended
Chapter 90				
Construction	2,603.40			
State and County	6,000.00	8,603.10	6,201.47	2,401.63*
Snow		7,500.00	5,774.46	1,725.54
Oak Road Special		300.00		300.00*
Green St. Bridge		1,500.00		1,500.00*
Essex St. Land Takings		589.95		589.95*
Truck Purchase		3,000.00	3,000.00	
Street Lighting		3,500.00	3,500.00	
Traffic Lights		100.00	12.81	87.19
Public Welfare Salaries		475.00	475.00	
Expenses		8,000.00	3,671.15	4,328.85
Old Age Assistance				
Aid	25,000.00			
Refunds	173.72	25,173.72	24,586.07	587.65
Federal Grant Aid		21,222.47	18,449.08	2,773.39*
Adm.		798.33	570.00	228.33*
Aid Dependent Children Aid		4,000.00	2,640.75	1,395.25
Federal Grant Aid		3,152.76	2,756.90	395.86*
Adm.		144.73		144.73*
Central Essex Welfare District		20.10	1,440.00	570.00
Veterans Agent Salary		250.00	250.00	
Expenses		25.00		25.00
Veterans Aid Expenses		2,000.00	1,028.60	971.40
School Salaries		39,278.27	39,271.17	7.10
Expenses	32,801.27			
Refund	49.30	32,850.57	32,841.86	8.71
Addition		117,406.42	117,077.21	329.21*
Equipment		10,888.18	3,171.18	7,717.00*
Lunch		12,781.82	12,777.64	4.18*
Vocational Education		1,000.00	530.15	469.85
Library Salaries		1,200.00	1,151.09	48.91
Expenses	1,639.38			
Refund	10.00	1,649.98	1,613.01	36.97
Park Expenses		750.00	719.02	30.98
Essex County Retirement				
Board	1,639.98			
Transfer	200.00	1,839.98	1,639.98	200.00
Annuity		1,627.50	1,627.50	
Memorial Day		400.00	399.63	.37
Town Reports		750.00	715.50	34.50
Insurance		6,388.42	5,541.32	847.10

40 APPROPRIATIONS—TRANSFERS—EXPENDITURES

Replacing Hydrant		205.25	205.25	
Electric Light Energy		76,000.00	76,000.00	
Wages	14,500.00			
Refund	152.43	14,652.43	14,477.90	174.53
Salaries		3,260.00	3,260.00	
Depreciation		13,603.20	8,909.14	4,694.06*
Town Scales Salary		50.00	25.00	25.00
Expenses		25.00		25.00
Cemetery Salaries		90.00	90.00	
Expenses	2,900.00			
Income	523.00	3,423.00	3,421.67	1.33
Graves	500.00			
Transfer	102.45	602.45	602.45	
Equipment		364.72	86.00	278.72*
Municipal Indebtedness		14,000.00	14,000.00	
Interest		3,575.00	3,575.00	

* Balances carried forward

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1951—DEBT AND TRUST ACCOUNTS

DEBT ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Net Funded or Fixed Debt		School Construction Loan	\$10,000.00
		School Addition Loan	178,000.00
			<u>\$188,000.00</u>
	<u>\$188,000.00</u>		

TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Trust and Investment Funds	Cash and Securities	David Cummings Fund	6,969.97
	In Custody of Town Treasurer	Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	27,093.90
	In Custody of Library Trustees	Charles L. Flint Library Fund	6,163.67
	In Custody of Naumkeag Trust Co.	Mary E. Emerson Book Fund	3,452.34
		B. F. Emerson Library Fund	10,169.99
			<u>\$ 53,849.87</u>
	<u>\$ 53,849.87</u>		

BALANCE SHEET

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1951—GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
CASH	-	Land Sale Fund	-
Petty Cash Advance	-	Land Low Value Fund	-
	\$107,398.74	Mansfield Fund Income	-
	100.00	Lots and Graves Fund	-
		Road Machinery Fund	-
		Electric Light Dept.	-
		Meter Deposits	865.00
		Depreciation Fund	4,694.06
		Surplus	4,598.06
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			10,157.12
TAX TITLES AND POSSESSIONS:		Dog Tax for County	-
Tax Titles	2,961.43	Old Age Assistance Recovery	-
Tax Possessions	2,365.74	Retirement Fund	-
		Withholding Tax	-
		Appropriation Balances	-
		Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	-
		Reserve for Petty Cash Advance	-
		Tailings	-
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			148.61
DEPARTMENTAL:			18,075.18
Public Welfare	136.03		735.96
Aid Dependent Children	604.90		100.00
Town Hall	14.50		
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			755.43

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1951—GENERAL ACCOUNTS

MUNICIPAL LIGHT:		REVENUE RESERVED UNTIL COLLECTED:	
Energy	7,917.01	Departmental	755.43
Miscellaneous	65.99	Tax Titles	5,327.17
		Motor Vehicle Excise	1,166.92
		Municipal Light	7,983.00
		Highway	11,935.33
State Aid to Highways	9,935.33		
County Aid to Highways	2,000.00	Overestimate County Tax	27,167.85
		Overestimate State Tax	300.36
		Overestimate Sanatorium Assessment	30.13
1951 Overlay deficit		Surplus Revenue	910.46
			74,379.35
			<u>\$143,695.08</u>

PAYROLL ANALYSIS

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

	Labor	Truck
Antonio Blais	\$2,450.00	
Blais Bros.		509.00
Raymond Colby	2,483.80	
James Donovan	368.80	
Robert Fuller	2,459.00	
John Hocter, Jr.	9.90	
John Hocter	3,160.00	
William Hocter	45.40	
T. Klosowski, Jr.	8.80	
T. Klosowski		796.00
Allan Marshall	2,465.70	
Raymond Marshall	450.00	
James Ogden		272.00
Marshall Paine	7.70	
Joseph Peters	17.60	
Albert Sheldon	11.00	
Oscar Sheldon		499.25
Leonard Smith		48.00

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Charles Baker	1,794.50	134.00
Clarence Baker	103.40	
Robert Bixby, Jr.	331.20	
Roy Lord	633.60	
Chester Masse, Jr.	80.00	
Richard Maxwell	38.75	
Arthur Page	440.10	
Donald Porter	243.65	
Donald Tyler	91.60	

FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

	Labor	Truck
Donald Aylward	133.65	
Charles Baker	8.00	
Blais Bros.		10.00
Charles Clinch, Jr.	8.75	
Raymond Colby	25.00	
Irving Conley	9.20	
James Conley	86.90	
Conley Tree Surgeons		57.50
Raymond Currier	3.75	
James Donovan	217.30	
Eugene Fournier	27.60	
Robert Fuller	10.00	
George Innis	17.50	
T. Klosowski		10.00
Robert LeBlanc	85.48	
Allan Marshall	10.00	
Robert Moore	67.10	
Clarence Osgood	376.80	
Fred Palumbo	11.00	
Eugene Pelletier	35.63	
Foster Richard	54.73	
Joseph Phaneuf	35.20	4.00
Donald Pope	29.65	
Donald Porter	5.00	
Alfred Saulnier	4.40	
Oscar Sheldon		227.50
Leon Soper	192.85	
Leonard Wennerberg	6.25	
Ralph Wennerberg	70.40	

PARK DEPARTMENT

Alton Goodale	8.00
Edward A. Leary	333.00
Henry Luscomb	140.80
Richard Sanborn	20.00
L. R. Sturdevant	8.00

TREASURER'S REPORT**December 31, 1951**

Edward H. Leary, Treasurer in account with the Town of
Middleton:

Balance of cash in Treasury January 1, 1951	\$205,516.25
Receipts for the year 1951	421,770.87
Total	<hr/> \$627,287.12
Payment for the year 1951	\$519,888.38
Balance of cash in Treasury December 31, 1951	107,398.74
Total	<hr/> \$627,287.12

CASH IN BANKS

Merchant's National Bank, Salem, Mass.	\$54,332.04
Danvers National Bank, Danvers, Mass.	41,580.91
United States Savings Bonds	1,480.00
Danvers Savings Bank	1,758.78
Undeposited Cash	8,247.01
Total Cash	<hr/> \$107,398.74

A complete report of all Trust Funds in my custody is shown on
the following pages.

For the co-operation and support of the Town Officers, Committees
and Citizens, I wish to express my thanks and gratitude.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD H. LEARY,
Treasurer.

CUMMINGS FUND

December 31, 1951

Balance, January 1, 1951	\$6,321.72
United Shoe Machinery Corp., Shares	975.00

RECEIPTS

U. S. M. C., dividends	\$97.52	
Salem Savings Bank, interest	72.34	
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, interest	76.43	
		246.29
Total income		7543.01
Trustees' orders		573.04

Adjusted total income	\$6,969.97
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Balance, December 31, 1951		
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank	\$2,614.53	
Salem Savings Bank	2,948.36	
Merchants National Bank	432.08	
United Shoe Machinery, shares	975.00	
		\$6,969.97

Respectively submitted,

EDWARD H. LEARY,

Treasurer

LAND OWNED BY TOWN

December 31, 1951

The Town owned the following parcels of land which have been deeded to the Town by the Treasurer:

HASWELL PARK:

Lot 155; Lots 286-290 inclusive.

MIDDLETON PINES:

Lots 2, 3, 4, 406, 408, 412, 414, 456, 457, 532-535 inclusive; 948, 949.

RECREATION PARK:

1st lot of 9th parcel — Book 2253, Page 381

14th parcel — Book 2253, Page 381

2nd pasture Woodland and Meadow

Elliott Lot; Gray Lot; Island pasture; Smith Lot; Sutton Lot.

Lots G and H; Lots 61-68 inclusive; 128-130 inclusive; 231-236 inclusive.

RIVERVIEW PARK:

Lots 35-37 inclusive; 239; 240; 300; 301.

SUMMIT VIEW PARK:

Lots 30-34 inclusive; 51; 57; 74-79 inclusive; 94-97 inclusive; 136-148 inclusive; 164-169 inclusive; 212; 213; 215-218 inclusive; 238; 239; 242-251 inclusive; 257-270 inclusive; 288-301 inclusive; 307; 308; 311-318 inclusive; 321-325 inclusive; 326-337 inclusive; 344-371 inclusive; 376; 378-382 inclusive; 385-398 inclusive.

WOODLAND PARK:

Lots 113-117 inclusive; 135-138 inclusive; 332; 575; 576.

MISCELLANEOUS:

G. A. Fuller meadow, 14 acres. (cranberry bog)

Joseph Whittier estate, woodland, approx. 8 acres.

EDWARD H. LEARY,
Treasurer

Town of Middleton
Cemetery Endowment Account
Danvers Savings Bank

Name	Lot. No.	Balance 1950	Interest	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1951
Atwood, L. Frank	360	\$120.65	\$3.03	\$3.00	\$120.68
Averill, Joseph	346	102.65	2.57	3.00	102.22
Berry, Allen & Catherine ..	112	140.94	3.53	3.50	140.97
Berry, William	178	104.52	2.61	2.50	104.63
Brown, Sarah F. ½ of 434		54.69	1.37	1.00	55.06
Bryer, Allen D.	526	209.55	5.26	4.00	210.81
Butler, Warren ½ of 916		75.16	1.89	N. C.	77.05
Carleton, Loring	34	418.05	10.52	6.00	422.57
Curtis, Phoebe		54.98	1.37	1.00	55.35
Dame, John	284	164.93	4.13	4.00	165.06
Demsey, J. W.	156	103.49	2.59	2.50	103.58
Dennett, Ruth H.	24	80.26	2.01	1.50	80.77
Eaton, Irvin L.	168	77.35	1.94	1.50	77.79
Emerson, Benjamin F.	214	167.54	4.20	4.00	167.74
Emerson, Eunice W.	166	106.45	2.67	3.00	106.12
Estey & Hutchinson	48	104.73	2.63	2.50	104.86
Esty, Alena A.	258	237.87	5.96	6.00	237.83
Esty, Annie E.	572	102.93	2.58	2.50	103.01
Evans, George	604	151.14	3.80	2.00	152.94
Flint, George B.	152	73.23	1.84	1.50	73.57
Fowler, Alonzo	12	272.31	6.84	4.00	275.15
Frame, L. Maria	516	134.28	3.37	3.50	134.15
Fuller, Daniel	628	103.90	2.60	2.50	104.00
Fuller, Lida A.	686	104.64	2.61	2.50	104.75
Fuller, Sophronia	236	245.79	6.16	6.00	245.95
Fuller, William H.	336	103.24	2.59	2.50	103.33
Gifford, William	180	104.55	2.61	2.50	104.66
Gilbert, James	188	105.01	2.64	2.50	105.15
Godfrey, William R.	714	101.72	2.54	2.50	101.76
Goodwin, Ira E. Heirs of ...	380	112.90	2.83	2.00	113.73
Gould, Eben	514	106.58	2.67	2.50	106.75
Gould, Porter I.	414	104.75	2.63	2.50	104.88
Grave, Porter, Richardson ..	586	103.53	2.59	2.50	103.62
Graves, D. Augustine	234	103.52	2.59	2.50	103.61
Hame & King	356	136.58	3.43	3.00	137.01
Hutchinson, Caroline A.	253	103.12	2.59	2.50	103.21
Hutchinson, Elisha P.	740	103.34	2.59	2.50	103.43

Cemetery Endowment Account—Continued

Name	Lot. No.	Balance 1950	Interest	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1951
Johnson, Frank E.	804	117.88	2.95	2.00	118.83
Leavitt, Jerome	62	164.44	4.13	3.00	165.57
McIntire, Abraham	132	80.53	2.01	1.50	81.04
McIntire, Annie M.	338	110.57	2.77	2.50	110.84
Milbery, J. Wesley	706	105.30	2.64	2.50	105.44
Moore & Cram		152.51	3.83	N. C.	156.34
Peabody & Hutchinson ..	182-184	162.45	4.08	3.50	163.03
Peabody, Andrew	56	103.63	2.59	2.50	103.72
Peabody, John L.	196	106.69	2.68	3.00	106.37
Peabody, William M.		104.72	2.63	2.00	105.35
Peabody, Samuel M.	204	104.70	2.63	2.50	104.83
Peabody, S. Maria	584	105.90	2.65	2.00	106.64
Pike, Sarah J.	412	140.62	3.53	2.00	142.15
Phelph, William A.	148	104.33	2.61	2.50	104.44
Richardson, Eli	363	168.54	4.23	3.50	169.27
Richardson, Lucy G.	80	515.63	12.97	4.00	524.60
Russell, George	114	156.36	3.93	3.50	156.79
Russell, Harriet W.		106.03	2.67	2.50	106.20
Russell, Persis	430	233.28	5.86	5.00	234.14
Sargent, James A.	750	106.54	2.67	2.00	107.21
Skinner & Wilkins	400	106.32	2.67	2.00	106.99
Smith, E. D. & M. J.	436	103.87	2.60	2.50	103.97
Smith, Sarah F.	102	173.26	4.35	3.50	174.11
Soper, Polly A.	298	104.20	2.61	2.50	104.31
Stiles, David		174.24	4.38	4.00	174.62
Stiles, Farnham	10	104.17	2.61	2.50	104.28
Tedford, Joseph A.	810	161.60	4.05	3.50	162.15
Thomas, H. Amelia	64	79.99	1.99	1.50	80.48
Thompson, C. E. & Ellen ...	392	252.96	6.35	6.00	253.31
Tufts, Wilbur	486	103.46	2.59	2.50	103.55
Tyler, Ansel P.	540	187.05	4.70	4.00	187.75
Weston, Samuel W.	36	211.99	5.32	6.00	211.31
Wellman, John R.	40	224.13	5.63	6.00	223.76
Whitman, Carl N.	116	105.11	2.64	2.00	105.75
Wilkins, Luther	176	180.80	4.54	3.50	181.84
Wilkins, Henry A.	254	104.97	2.63	2.50	105.10
Wilkins, Timothy	50	108.55	2.71	2.50	108.76
		<u>\$10,238.28</u>	<u>256.81</u>	<u>212.50</u>	<u>10,282.59</u>

Town of Middleton
Cemetery Endowment Account
Salem Savings Bank

Name	Lot. No.	Balance 1950	Interest	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1951
		\$393.73	\$10.47	N. C.	\$4.94.20
Baker, Charles, Jr.	398	152.87	3.83	3.50	153.20
Barnaby, John	308	152.02	3.81	3.50	152.33
Bastable, Arthur	10	155.64	3.94	3.50	156.08
Berry, Milton	718	153.78	3.85	3.50	154.13
Boghosian, Leon ½ of B15½		76.67	1.91	1.00	77.58
Boodro, Austin	B15	77.79	1.94	1.00	78.73
Bradstreet, H. H.	1	155.72	3.90	3.50	156.12
Bryer, Lillian L.	606	152.76	7.99	3.50	657.25
Carter, Mary A.	137	157.26	3.95	4.00	157.21
Curtis, Philip	B-13	152.05	3.81	3.50	152.36
Darling, Lyman	438	152.36	3.83	3.00	153.19
Desmore, Stanley	B3	153.88	3.85	3.50	154.23
Derrah, James Henry	288	.....	.....	N. C.	100.00
Downing, William	626	109.33	2.74	1.50	110.57
Duncan, Reuben	489	153.54	3.85	3.50	153.89
Emerson, Ellen M.	138	102.67	2.57	2.50	102.74
Emerson, Henry P.	496	536.64	13.49	12.00	538.13
Esty, Loren G.	538	125.04	3.14	3.50	124.68
Firman, Aaron G. Sec. 504		51.18	1.28	N. C.	52.46
Fletcher, Samuel A.	130	102.46	2.57	2.50	102.53
Flint, Harley A.	256	101.94	2.55	2.50	101.99
Frost, Chas. A.	340	177.34	4.65	4.00	177.99
Fuller, Abijah	110	176.89	4.44	4.00	177.33
Gould, Andrew	3.62	55.78	1.39	1.00	56.17
Gould, Mary	422	204.16	5.13	3.00	206.29
Gould, Walter	578	153.96	3.85	3.50	154.31
Graham, Benj. & Edythe	139	153.89	3.85	3.50	154.24
Hatch, Herbert O.	642	153.02	3.84	3.00	153.86
Hilton, Ellen J.	492½	165.62	4.15	N. C.	169.77
Hoelzel, William	5-6	154.97	3.88	3.50	155.35
Howe, Benjamin	160	153.87	3.85	3.50	154.22
Illingsworth, R.	915	.....	.94	N. C.	75.94
Jones, John & Mary	802	205.33	5.15	4.00	206.48
Jopp, C. B.	912	78.18	1.97	1.50	78.65
LeBeau, Ernest	B17½	.....	.78	N. C.	75.78
Lee & Meade	82	153.32	3.85	3.50	153.67

Cemetery Endowment Account—Continued

Name	Lot. No.	Balance 1950	Interest	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1951
Leonard & Henderson	141-3	309.94	7.77	6.00	311.71
Lever, William	18	152.53	3.83	3.00	153.36
Martin, William	908	153.52	3.85	3.50	153.87
Metcalf, John	624	153.94	3.85	3.50	154.29
Millett, Anne L. ....	.....	154.62	3.88	3.00	155.50
McGlauffin, Benj. T.	76	155.92	3.90	3.50	156.32
McKenne, Thomas	532	154.72	3.88	3.00	155.60
Nash, Harold	B11	77.57	1.94	1.50	78.01
Nelson, Roy	910	153.91	3.85	3.50	154.26
Paine, Walter	7	154.62	3.88	3.50	155.00
Peabody, Merrill	754	105.30	2.64	3.00	104.94
Perkins, William	643	208.62	5.24	3.00	210.86
Phelps, Anne H.	146	175.58	4.40	4.00	175.98
Richardson, William J.	250	159.14	4.00	3.50	159.64
Robertson, Mary D.	242	.....	.....	.....	100.00
Russell, Serena	477	155.82	3.90	3.50	156.22
Sanford, Radford & Martin	580	.....	.....	.....	150.00
Sanford, William	11½	77.93	1.94	1.50	78.37
Sheldon, Alonzo	682	155.18	3.90	3.00	156.08
Sheldon, Lucy	212	157.70	3.95	3.00	158.65
Smith, George H.	764	109.70	2.75	2.50	109.95
Stewart, Richard	676	152.84	3.83	3.50	153.17
Symonds, Charles H.	448	104.46	2.61	2.50	104.57
Townsend, Edward	468	152.52	3.83	3.50	152.85
Townsend, Ernest	454	152.52	3.83	3.50	152.85
Tyler, Alma .....	.....	153.05	3.84	3.50	153.39
Tyler, Henrietta .....	.....	153.05	3.84	3.50	153.39
Wiggins, Alexander	806	165.62	4.15	N. C.	169.77
Wilkins, Alvin	218	152.22	3.83	2.50	153.55
Wilkins, Charles	459	154.98	3.88	3.00	155.86
Wilkins, Susan A.	596	104.18	2.61	2.00	104.79
Wilkins & Young	614	154.02	3.87	3.00	154.89
Williams, Percy	½ of B17	76.20	1.91	1.00	77.11
Young, William M.	½ of B18	.....	.....	N. C.	75.00
		9,563.85	245.90	195.50	10,689.25

Town of Middleton
Cemetery Endowment Account

Salem Five Cent Savings Bank

Name	Lot. No.	Balance 1950	Interest	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1951
Atwood, Morrison	128	\$164.54	\$4.13	\$3.50	\$165.17
Averill, Edward P.	52	104.13	2.61	2.50	104.24
Barnaby, Caroline V.	646	114.09	2.98	2.50	114.57
Batchelder, Harold T.	528	83.84	2.09	1.50	84.43
Brown, Carl	914	150.63	3.78	N. C.	154.41
Conlon, Mary A. ....	.....	105.88	2.65	2.50	106.03
Curry, Mary A.	342	107.71	2.70	2.50	107.91
Day, Mrs. Geo. E.	588	54.40	1.37	1.00	54.77
Day, Weaver	248	158.54	3.98	4.00	158.52
Evans, Otis .....	.....	150.63	3.78	N. C.	154.41
Fuller, Jeremiah	40	141.72	3.55	3.50	141.77
Fuller, Luella F.	158	158.01	3.97	4.00	157.98
Fuller, Lydia & Timothy	268	104.57	2.61	2.50	104.68
Fuller & Taylor	644	156.43	3.93	4.00	156.36
Goswiler, Carl B.	716	162.80	4.08	3.00	163.88
Hall, E. P.	106	106.81	2.68	2.50	106.99
Harlow, Levi F.	684	107.52	2.69	2.50	107.71
Haskell, Ella C.	390	207.40	5.20	5.00	207.60
Higgins, Lewis S.	264	108.82	2.73	2.50	109.05
Hobbs, Kathryn	½ of 588	54.53	1.37	1.00	54.90
Hutchinson & Russell	18	103.38	2.59	2.00	103.97
Jones, John E.	372	105.24	2.64	2.50	105.38
Jones, Samuel	290	105.46	2.64	2.50	105.60
Mosher, William	850	150.00	2.82	N. C.	152.82
Peabody, A. W.	90	251.96	6.33	6.00	252.29
Peabody, Dean	344	103.18	2.59	2.50	103.27
Peabody, John W.	192	155.51	3.90	3.50	155.91
Peabody, Laura E.	534	103.62	2.59	2.50	103.71
Putney, Lucretia	104	154.20	3.88	3.50	154.58
Richardson, Benjamin F.	164	103.90	2.60	2.50	104.00
Richardson, Daniel .....	.....	104.83	2.63	2.50	104.96
Richardson, Rev. Daniel	410	105.50	2.64	2.50	105.64
Riley & Daniels .....	.....	150.00	2.82	N. C.	152.82
Stiles, Hiram A.	30	165.43	4.15	4.00	165.58
Stiles, Osgood F.	424	164.97	4.14	4.00	165.11
Stiles, Summer P.	482	165.45	4.15	4.00	165.60

Cemetery Endowment Account—Continued

Name	Lot. No.	Balance 1950	Interest	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1951
Taylor, Benj. H.	334	104.26	2.61	2.50	104.37
White, Henry F.	208	84.07	2.11	2.00	84.18
Wilkins, Henry & Caroline	440-442	319.02	8.03	6.50	320.55
Wilkins, Edward W.	172	191.99	4.82	4.00	192.81
Wilkins, Samuel H.	230	104.65	2.61	2.50	104.76
Young, John	278	104.46	2.61	2.50	104.57
		5,604.08	138.78	115.00	5,627.86

Reports

of the

Various Departments

1951

FLINT PUBLIC LIBRARY

Trustee's Report — Treasurer's Report

INCOME:

Balance January 1, 1951	\$625.12	
Naumkeag Trust Co.	407.84	
Essex Savings Bank	20.00	
Broadway Savings Bank	37.32	
Total		\$1,090.28
Town appropriation, expenses, plus dog tax		1,639.98
Town appropriation, salaries		1,200.00
		\$3,930.26

Expenditures, salaries

Librarian salary	500.09	
Librarian, assistant	351.00	
Janitor	300.00	
Returned to revenue	48.91	
		1,200.00

Expenditures, expenses

New books	673.97	
Magazines	74.75	
Fuel	426.40	
Light	76.29	
Water	6.36	
Insurance	59.52	
Building Maintenance	600.26	
Miscellaneous	84.90	
Bank service charge	.58	
Balance Naumkeag Trust Co.	700.36	
Returned to revenue	26.97	
		2,730.26
		\$3,930.26

Respectfully submitted,
HAROLD Y. SMITH, Treasurer.

CHARLES L. FLINT FUND

H. Y. Smith in account with Flint Public Library:		
Charles L. Flint fund, principal		\$5,000.00
Deposited in banks, December 31, 1951:		
Salem Five Cent Savings Bank	\$1,159.56	
Danvers Savings Bank	1,436.22	
Broadway Savings Bank	1,886.96	
Essex Savings Bank	1,000.00	
Salem Savings Bank	680.93	
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		\$6,163.67

MARY ESTY EMERSON FUND

Harold Y. Smith in account with Flint Public Library:		
Mary Esty Emerson Fund, principal		\$2,500.00
Invested as follows:		
Cerena Apt. Building Bond (par value)		500.00
Cerena Apt. Corp. (Capital Stock)		
Lexington Ave. and 42nd St.		
(20 shares common stock)		.20
Deposited Danvers Savings Bank		2,190.33
Deposited Danvers National Bank		761.81
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		\$3,452.34

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD Y. SMITH, Treasurer.

Income B. F. Emerson Fund Naumkeag Trust Co. \$393.34

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT, 1951

Flint Public Library has been open the usual hours during the year 1951. The library hours are

Tuesday — 3:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.
Friday — 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.
Saturday — 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Books were sent to the Howe-Manning School for Grades 4-8. The books were from lists prepared by the Department of Education. The High School students were also assisted with their reading problems.

Many interesting magazines for all ages were in the reading room or to be borrowed after the current month.

National Book Week was observed in November with an exhibit in the balcony. Many new books were on display and were enjoyed by all visitors, young and old.

The Trustees have voted to use the Trustees room as a new reading room for adult readers, which will be very convenient for reading, study and reference. Part of the new equipment has been installed and more will be added in the future. This room will be a welcome addition and a comfort to all adult readers.

Following the librarian's report is a short biography of Charles L. Flint, which should be of interest to the people of Middleton.

The librarian wishes to express appreciation for the cooperation and many kindnesses of the Trustees.

ANNUAL STATISTICS

Volumes in library January 1, 1951	10,306
Volumes added by purchase	350
Volumes added by gift	50
Volumes in library January 1, 1952	10,706
Total circulation of books, year ending January 1, 1952	5,688
Total circulation of non-fiction	1,593
Largest monthly circulation, October	547

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH E. CARLETON,

Librarian.

CHARLES L. FLINT (1824-1889)

Charles L. Flint was born in South Middleton on May 8, 1824. He entered Phillips Academy in Andover in 1841 and later worked his way through Harvard College, graduating in 1849. After teaching a short term he spent two years at Harvard Law School. He was admitted to the New York State Bar and began practice in New York City. In 1857 he married Ellen E. Leland of Grafton, Massachusetts and had two sons and a daughter.

While in college, he won a prize offered by the Essex Agricultural Society for an essay on Indian corn, which was published in the 1849 Transactions of the Society. This essay and other agricultural writings attracted state-wide attention and resulted in his appointment as the first secretary of the Massachusetts Board of Agriculture. He took office in 1853 and remained secretary of the Board for twenty-seven years, during which time his annual reports contain a full and accurate record of the agriculture of this state.

Mr. Flint was deeply interested in practical education. He took a conspicuous part in the founding of Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was a member of the Boston School Committee and helped in the establishment of High Schools. He was a founder of Massachusetts Agricultural College (chartered in 1862), (now called University of Massachusetts) and served as secretary of the Board of Trustees for twenty-two years. He lectured at the college on dairy farming and upon retirement of President Clark, (1879) Mr. Flint became president of the college, serving one year.

In addition to his extensive articles and reports for the Board of Agriculture, he wrote several books on agriculture. At the time of his death in 1889, he was president of the Massachusetts Agricultural Club and was widely known as an authority on farming. He died in Hillman, Georgia where he had gone to regain his failing health. He is buried in Grafton, Massachusetts.

In February 1879, Mr. Flint proposed a free public library to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the incorporation of the Town of Middleton. His offer of \$1,000. and 400 books was readily accepted and six trustees were elected for a term of three years to establish and maintain a free public library. In 1889 under terms of Mr. Flint's will, the town was left the sum of \$10,000. to be expended by library trustees for library purposes. The trustees were then able to purchase a site and erect the present library building, which was dedicated November 11, 1891 and appropriately named after its chief benefactor.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Middleton:

The Board of Selectmen submit for your approval its annual report of activities for the year ending December 31st, 1951.

Meetings have been held each Tuesday evening at 8:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, except during the months of July and August when meetings were held the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. This year we found it necessary to hold many special meetings to complete the town's business.

We have again this year requested an appropriation to continue the work of our Civil Defense Program in co-operation with the State authorities.

We have completed the survey of the business area in and around Middleton Square establishing the exact area that the business district comprises, and the boundaries of the street and property owners. This not only enables the Zoning Appeal Board to return accurate decisions on cases appearing before them, but will also assist the Highway Department and Planning Board in carrying out their work.

This year it was necessary to hold two Special Town Meetings, the first on June 26th, and the second on October 9th.

Meetings have been held this year in Boston, and here in Middleton with the Outdoor Advertising Authority in an effort to stop further erection of billboards on Route 114. Results of these meetings have not been as yet published.

This Board attended a meeting at the North Andover Court House together with other Towns and Cities in this area, to record our objections to the State building a Prison Colony in the Harold Parker Forest.

We have received petitions from citizens of this town for the acceptance of the following streets:

Oak Road

Highland Road from Maple Street to intersection
a distance of 68 feet, then Westerly for a distance of 92 feet. Also from an intersection in an Easterly direction for a distance of 215 feet.

Pine Street from Highland Road to Grove Street.

Cross Street for a distance of 250 feet from Lakeview Street.

Juniper Avenue for a distance of 275 feet from Cross Street.

These petitions have been referred to the Planning Board for their action and will be brought before a special Town Meeting for the vote of the Townspeople.

This Board served on Special Committees to purchase a new Police car and a new Highway Department Truck. As a result of bids received by these committees, a 1951 Ford car was purchased for the Police Department, and a 1951 Ford Dump Truck was purchased for the Highway Department.

In cooperation with the Town Counsel Mr. Gaffney, settlements have been reached in a number of damage and claims cases this year.

Three automobile accident cases causing damage to Town property have been settled.

One Fire Damage Claim on Town property.

One settlement of Old Age Case has been made.

One settlement of overdue taxes.

All these cases resulted in cash settlements made in favor of the Town.

At a joint meeting of this Board and the Board of Assessors, Mr. William Birch was appointed to fill the unexpired term of office on the Board of Assessors, until the next annual election. This vacancy was created by the resignation of Mr. Harold Bishop.

As noted in our report of 1950, plans were then under way to complete and equip an office for the use of this Board at Memorial Hall, So. Main Street. Repairs and alterations of this office have been completed and the necessary new furnishings are now on order. It is expected that within a very short time our weekly meeting will be held in this new office.

This Board has been able to secure the services of Mr. Willis Esty as clerk, which has been of much assistance in helping us to complete our work and keep abreast of the many new problems confronting the town.

The following Town Departments have submitted to this Board a complete inventory of all Town owned property which is in their possession: Collector of Taxes, Fire Dept., Electric Light Dept., Park Dept., Town Clerk, Board of Appeals, Highway Dept., Moth and Tree Dept., Cemetery Dept., Board of Assessors, Town Treasurer, Board of Selectmen. These reports are kept on file so a complete record of Town Property is available at all times.

Acting as the Board of Health, this Board has undertaken a complete survey of the Piggery Problem, and as a result of our study on this matter, a new set of Laws were adopted in accordance with Section 31 and 31A of Chapter 111 of the General Laws. These laws were advertised October 11th, 1951, in the Danvers Herald. For the information of the Townspeople, a copy of this regulation is being included in this report.

This year the Board has entered two articles in the annual warrant for consideration by the Town. The first being the appointment of a committee to find a suitable dumping location. As noted in our 1950 report, this problem was before us at that time and it now has become necessary that action be taken to supply the Townspeople with a new Public Dump. The second article is one recommended for consideration by the State Department of Public Health. Their feeling is that more Health Services can be offered the public through a regional Health Authority and that this plan should receive thorough investigation by each Town and City.

This year the Annual Town Picnic was held at Pine Island Park on August 21st, with money supplied by the Mansfield Fund. Attendance at this picnic was so large that eight buses were needed to transport the children. One Band Concert was held at the Park, and the Thanksgiving and Christmas Baskets were purchased and distributed with money supplied by this fund.

We wish to extend our thanks to all Town Officers, Department heads and Citizens of the Town for the fine cooperation we have received. We have had many occasions in the past year to request help with our Town problems, and found every one concerned, very cooperative and willing to give of their time. We feel this is all reflected by a close analysis of the Town's expenditures during the past year which shows a very healthy financial condition.

Respectfully submitted,

WILBUR C. RUNDLETT, JR.

JAMES H. COFFIN

Board of Selectmen.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

MARRIAGE RECORD FOR 1951

Date	Place of Marriage	Name of Bride and Groom	Residence
Jan. 10	Danvers	Robert Earle Dobson Joan Madelyn Coner	Middleton Danvers
Jan. 28	Middleton	Simone John Rizzotti Dolores Emily Ferry	Salem Middleton
Feb. 4	Middleton	Lester Dean Charles Shirley Eilene Sillars	So. Hamilton Middleton
Feb. 6	Nashua, N.H.	Frederick Peter Bourque Marguerite Rose O'Donnell	Middleton Middleton
Feb. 15	Middleton	Raymond Joseph Marasse Phyllis Jeanne Farnam	Hathorne Middleton
Mar. 25	Middleton	Richard Raymond Morrissey Patricia Jane Sillars	Danvers Middleton
Mar. 25	Middleton	George William Nash Dorothy Helen Fraser	Middleton Middleton
Apr. 19	Salem	Richard Oscar Johnson Alice Loretta Mackey	Middleton Salem
May 9	Middleton	Alfred E. Harris Beverly Lorraine Wentworth	Middleton Hamilton
May 25	Middleton	James R. Hansen Marie M. Greeke	Otisville, Mich. Middleton
May 19	Northampton	James Douglas Hilyard Norma Margaret Cherman	Middleton Northampton
May 30	Middleton	William Firth Balcom Ruth Etchings Fox	Malden Malden
May 30	Billerica	Charles Henery Webster Jean Evelyn Wilder	Taunton Billerica
June 2	Adams	Joseph R. Hilyard, Jr. Jeannette Cynarski	Middleton Adams

Date	Place of Marriage	Name of Bride and Groom	Residence
June 2	Malden	Edward Snyder Grace S. Egy	Middleton Malden
June 17	Danvers	John Wesley Milbery Verna Agnes Sears	Middleton Middleton
June 17	Middleton	Makary Martinuk Elizabeth Sedlak	Peabody Middleton
June 17	Middleton	Gerald Joseph McHugh Doris Margaret Parker	East Boston Middleton
June 23	Newton	George Elton Trainor Joan L. Surrette	West Newton Middleton
June 16	Middleton	Robert LeRoy Yeaton Anna Ella Evans	Middleton Middleton
June 16	Danvers	Archie R. Price Doris M. Goodwin	Danvers Danvers
June 24	Middleton	Francis X. Masse Virginia May Kuell	Middleton Middleton
July 3	Middleton	Robert C. Tinkham Rita Patricia Peachey	Lynn Middleton
July 23	Middleton	William Edward Gunn, Jr. Marion Geneva Harris	Danvers Middleton
Aug. 8	Charlemont	Henry Wilson Morrill Doris Ann Brackett	Middleton Middleton
Aug. 12	Lynn	Samuel P. Armitage Mary Irene Kennedy	Middleton Lynn
Sept. 1	Salem	Robert A. Tuttle Frances Tetreault	Middleton Salem
Sept. 9	Middleton	Sherman Hayden Wilson Catherine Eleanor Ryer	Gloucester Middleton
Oct. 20	Everett	Leo Joseph Gould Louise Gray	Middleton Middleton
Oct. 26	Middleton	Ralph Elmer Currier Edith G. Heckman	Middleton Middleton

Date	Place of Marriage	Name of Bride and Groom	Residence
Nov. 23	Middleton	Nicholas Boltrushek Mary M. Rizya	Lynn Middleton
Dec. 28	Peabody	Harry R. Roberts Mary E. Peabody	Middleton Middleton
Dec. 30	Salem	Charles H. Phaneuf Eileen M. Jennings	Middleton Salem

BIRTH RECORD FOR 1951

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Parents
Jan. 1	John Henry Bavin	John H. Bavin Helen F. Muldoon
Jan. 5	Rosemary Lea Cassidy	George J. Cassidy Louise M. Nelson
Jan. 14	Sharon Ann Larocque	Roland Larocque Dorothy H. Graffam
Jan. 31	Donald Paul LeColst	Frank T. LeColst Priscilla Foss
Feb. 1	Ann Marie Parshley	Ralph I. Parshley Pauline B. Eaton
Feb. 2	Leonard Joseph Ferreira	Joseph Ferreira Dorothy Farnsworth
Feb. 14	Bruce Richard Jordan	Robert B. Jordan Patricia M. Collins
Feb. 17	Jean Irene LeBlanc	Eugene J. LeBlanc Rita Josephine Laberge
Feb. 22	Georgia Jaques Frazier	Ernest Edward Frazier Elizabeth Trask Page
Feb. 25	Julyn Minetta Richards	Allyn W. Richards June O. Scott
Mar. 1	Nancy Lorayne Hocter	William J. Hocter Lorayne N. Campbell

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Parents
Mar. 7	Harold George Moore, Jr.	Harold G. Moore Caroline G. Wentworth
Mar. 7	Bonnie Ann Churchill	Eugene E. Churchill Dorothy Pennell
Mar. 22	Carol Ann April	Henry J. April Phyllis A. Hennessey
Mar. 28	Cathie Joyce Lavorgna	Michael Lavorgna Villa Walker
Apr. 22	Kenneth Robert Denault	Joseph R. Denault Ida L. DeBlois
Apr. 26	William Arthur Johnson	Arthur R. Johnson Kathleen M. Barley
Apr. 30	Les Emile Seibert	Louis Seibert Florence E. LeBlanc
May 1	Ann Marie Frazier	Arthur Henry Frazier Eunice Susie Staples
May 3	Leroy Lakeman Kimball	Clement L. Kimball Shirley J. Eaton
May 8	Paul Kenneth Whitmore	Benjamin F. Whitmore Blanche Graglia
May 9	Shirley Ann Peaslee	Ralph Lincoln Peaslee Delora Charlotte Bryant
May 10	Ann Louise Emro	Guy Vernon Emro, Jr. Mary Bridget Hickey
May 10	Louise Ann Colby	Raymond N. Colby Jeannette H. Saulnier
May 13	Charles Edwin Rennard	Joseph Edwin Rennard Christine M. DeDianores
May 22	Paul Joseph Breau	Maximillian J. Breau Phyllis I. Klosowski
May 23	Patricia Ann Blais	Antonio O. Blais Ruth M. Andrews

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Parents
June 22	David Roger Knowlton	Herman H. Knowlton Dorothy G. Boyden
June 30	Patricia Lynne Harrison	Timothy K. Harrison Dorothy M. Spann
July 4	Susan Ellen Shaw	William A. Shaw Alexandra M. Graham
July 15	John William Pool	Marshall L. Pool Genevieve A. Campbell
July 18	Denise Carol Barthelemy	Walter C. Barthelemy Eunice Mae Thurston
July 27	Cheryl Susan DeCosta	Charles F. DeCosta Evelyn C. DeCosta
July 29	Francis Toscano	Rosario C. Toscano Palma Santoro
Aug 5	Gerald David Pollock	Milton Ross Pollock Josie Della Sheldon
Aug. 5	Andrew Thomas Stone	Arthur Harry Stone Henrieta Doris Parisien
Aug. 11	William Donald Nelson	Frederick R. Nelson Florence M. Caverly
Aug. 26	Pamela Jean Richards	Alfred E. Richards Esther Bennett
Sept. 8	Martha Lorraine Poulsen	Richard S. Poulsen Lorraine V. Stahler
Sept. 15	Carl Douglas Osborne	Seymer W. Osborne Mildred J. Currier
Oct. 2	Michael Roland McFarland	Guy Roland McFarland Anita Janette Bouchard
Oct. 9	Cheryl Ann Tinkham	Lawrence E. Tinkham Grace M. St. Pierre
Oct. 11	Jane Dixon Breau	Joseph E. Breau Jane D. Alcorn

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Parents
Oct. 14	Bonnie Lee Dobson	Robert E. Dobson Joan M. Comer
Oct. 18	Edward Elliott Ogden	William Francis Ogden Martha Frances Rowell
Oct. 25	Benjamin Braley Shute, Jr.	Benjamin B. Shute Ethel M. Currier
Oct. 28	Robert Lee Gregory	Joseph Gregory Cecile Rose Berry
Nov. 1	Eleanor Mary Fuller	Robert Perkins Fuller Arlina Marion Turney
Nov. 10	Dennis Edward Morrell	Carl Edward Morrell Virginia Mary Bowers
Nov. 4	Lora Lee Rubchinuk	John Rubchinuk Enid L. Davis
Nov. 15	Jeffrey Thomas Lowe	Richard T. Lowe Margaret M. Joyce
Dec. 4	Carole June Chaplick	Frank George Chaplick Geraldine June Lovett

RECORD OF RESIDENT DEATHS FOR 1951

Date	Name of Deceased	Years	Months	Days
Feb. 6	George Eddie Humphrey	92	1	28
Mar. 14	Margaret J. Coleman	75	3	14
Mar. 24	Florence M. Pasquale	56	—	—
Apr. 4	Thomas McIlwraith	53	10	7
Apr. 5	Richard Standley Nash	21	6	—
Apr. 18	Harry C. Billington	63	11	—
Apr. 25	Caroline V. Barnaby	81	0	17
May 18	Elizabeth Mack	64	—	—
June 18	Katherine J. Boyd	77	8	21
June 23	Harriet M. Page	67	—	4
July 5	Rebecca Reynolds Smith	86	4	21
July 8	Estelle G. Getchell	74	3	4
July 22	William H. Harding	29	3	0
July 23	Mary E. Young	87	5	9
July 28	Harriet Trask Paige	67	6	1
Aug. 4	William M. Harlow	60	3	22
Sept. 20	Alice Maxwell	67	6	26
Oct. 14	Marion E. Tyler	78	1	25
Nov. 3	George B. Ellis	81	11	16
Nov. 22	Alice J. Meade	76	—	—
Nov. 23	John P. Baker	79	5	6
Dec. 7	Hypolite Deschene	64	9	11

Stillborn Deaths 5

Non-Resident Deaths 54

Any errors or omissions should be promptly noted and reported to the Town Clerk.

DOG TAXES COLLECTED FOR 1951

229 Male Dogs at \$2.00	\$458.00
54 Female Dogs at \$5.00	270.00
45 Spayed Female Dogs at \$2.00	90.00
12 Kennel Licenses at \$10.00	120.00
1 Kennel License at \$25.00	25.00

 \$963.00

Fees Deducted 48.20

 Paid to Town Treasurer \$914.80

 LICENSES ISSUED FOR 1951

99 Resident Citizens	Fishing
81 Resident Citizens	Hunting
82 Resident Citizens	Sporting
33 Resident Citizens	Women's and Minor
5 Resident Citizens	Trapping
2 Resident Citizens	Minors Trapping
1 Resident Citizen	Military
2 Resident Citizens	Free (Old Age Ass't.)
9 Resident Citizens	Sporting (70 Years or Over)
3 Non-Resident	Fishing
1 Resident Citizen	Duplicate

Respectfully submitted,

 ELMER P. MORRILL,
 Town Clerk.

LIST OF JURORS

Mr. Archie S. Frost, Clerk of Courts

Salem, Mass.

Dear Sir:

The following is a list of the Jurors prepared by the Selectmen of the Town of Middleton in accordance with Chapter 234, Section 4, General Laws.

Name	Street	Occupation
Doane, Arthur O.	North Main St.	Insurance
Floyd, Richard G.	Maple Street	Shipper
Fuller, Arthur	Maple Street	Farmer
Goodale, Ernest P.	King Street	Shipper
Martin, William T.	Maple Street	Carpenter
Marshall, Richard H.	Riverview Drive	Machinist
Milbury, John	Central Street	Electrician
Milbury, Wesley	Park Avenue	Retired
Nimblett, Benjamin	Lakeview Avenue	Lineman
Nichols, Arthur	Liberty Street	Retired
Peart, James W.	Forest Street	Blacksmith
Pennell, Roger	Highland Park	Shipper
Raynard, Ralph	Boston Street	Foreman
Sheldon, Oscar H.	Maple Street	Retired
Soper, Leon H.	North Main Street	Sign Painter

Very truly yours,

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Board of Selectmen,
Middleton, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1951.

Permits applied for	41
Permits issued	39
Permits not granted	2
Jobs completed	29
Jobs not completed	7
Permits for moving building	3
Calls made for inspection	436
Mileage covered	906
Amount collected in fees	\$91.00
Estimated value of permits issued	\$55,675.00
Estimated value of new construction	\$42,700.00
Estimated value of new construction not completed to date	\$21,550.00
Estimated value of remodeling	\$12,975.00
Estimated value remodeling completed	\$8,975.00
Estimated value of remodeling not completed	\$4,000.00

In closing I wish to thank the town officials and the general public for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

EARL F. JONES,

Building Inspector.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

The following is a recapitulation of the money appropriated by the Town of Middleton and the estimated receipts deducted therefrom in the determination of the 1951 Tax Rate.

APPROPRIATIONS

Town Appropriation	\$322,494.37
State Parks and Reservations	348.60
State Parks and Reservations (1950 underestimate)	73.27
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	100.31
County Tax	7,126.48
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	3,162.93
1951 Overlay	3,293.39
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	\$336,599.35

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Income Tax	\$20,762.63
Corporation Taxes	9,450.60
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	1,956.93
Old Age Tax (Meals) Chapter 64B, S10	763.78
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	11,500.00
Licenses	2,700.00
Fines	100.00
Special Assessments	800.00
General Government	1,000.00
Protection of Persons and Property	250.00
Charities	9,300.00
Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants)	17,000.00
Veterans' Benefits	500.00
Schools	3,356.02
Public Service Enterprises	88,888.82
Cemeteries (other than trust funds and sale of lots)	500.00
Interest: On Taxes and Assessments	250.00
State Assistance for School Construction Chapter 645, Acts of 1948	5,000.00

Overestimates of previous year to be
used as available funds:

County Tax	673.80
County Tuberculosis Hospital	84.05
Amounts to be taken from available funds	34,424.98
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Total estimated receipts and available funds	\$209,261.61
Gross amount to be raised	\$336,599.35
Total estimated receipts and available funds	209,261.61
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	\$127,337.74
Net amount raised by taxation on Personal Property	\$ 7,759.65
Net amount raised by taxation on Real Estate	117,890.99
Number of polls assessed, 844 at \$2.00 each	1,688.00
Fractional loss	— .90
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	\$127,337.74

TOTAL VALUATION:

Personal Property	152,150.00
Real Estate	2,311,588.00
1951 Tax Rate	51.00

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL B. WAKE, SR.
DANIEL J. DONOVAN
WILLIAM G. BIRCH
Board of Assessors.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

REAL ESTATE TAXES — 1950

Balance January 1, 1951	\$ 7,644.82	
Interest	193.81	
	<hr/>	\$ 7,838.63
Collections	\$ 7,827.02	
Transferred to Tax Title Accounts	11.61	
	<hr/>	\$ 7,838.63
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REAL ESTATE TAXES — 1951

1951 Commitment	\$ 117,941.03	
Refunds	17.60	
Interest	16.63	
	<hr/>	\$117,975.26
Collections	\$ 105,579.23	
Abatements	3,141.96	
Transferred to Tax Title Accounts	560.97	
Uncollected balance December 31, 1951	8,693.10	
	<hr/>	\$117,975.26
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MOTOR VEHICLE & TRAILER EXCISE TAXES — 1950

Balance January 1, 1951	\$ 1,840.19	
Interest	39.70	
Refunds	97.08	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,976.97
Collections	\$ 1,835.72	
Abatements	141.25	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,976.97
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MOTOR VEHICLE & TRAILER EXCISE TAXES — 1951

1951 Commitment	\$ 16,690.48	
Interest	30.16	
Refunds	368.20	
	<hr/>	\$ 17,088.84
Collections	\$ 14,095.82	
Abatements	1,840.29	
Uncollected balance December 31, 1951	1,152.73	
	<hr/>	\$ 17,088.84
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POLL TAXES — 1950

Balance January 1, 1951	\$ 22.00	
Interest	.51	
	<hr/>	\$ 22.51
Collections	\$ 20.51	
Abatements	2.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 22.51
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POLL TAXES — 1951

Commitment	\$ 1,688.00	
Interest	1.72	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,689.72
Collections	\$ 1,397.72	
Abatements	292.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,689.72
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PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1950

Balance January 1, 1951	\$ 1,628.75	
Interest	28.58	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,657.33
Collections	\$ 1,657.33	
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PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1951

Commitment	\$ 7,759.71	
Interest	1.57	
		\$ 7,761.28
Collections	\$ 7,566.46	
Uncollected Balance December 31, 1951	194.82	
		\$ 7,761.28

**SUMMARY AND COMPARISON
1950 — 1951**

	Commitment 1950	Commitment 1951	Amt. of Increase
Real Estate Taxes	\$ 95,944.85	\$ 117,941.03	\$ 21,996.18
Motor Vehicle			
Excise Taxes	13,507.96	16,690.48	3,182.52
Poll Taxes	1,636.00	1,688.00	52.00
Personal Property Taxes	6,391.60	7,759.71	1,368.11
Total	\$ 117,480.41	\$ 144,079.22	\$ 26,598.81
	Collections 1950	Collections 1951	Amt. of Increase
Real Estate Taxes	\$ 92,016.52	\$ 113,406.25	\$ 21,389.73
Motor Vehicle			
Excise Taxes	12,258.72	15,931.54	3,672.82
Poll Taxes	1,404.34	1,418.23	13.89
Personal Property Taxes	4,844.17	9,223.79	4,379.62
Total	\$ 110,523.75	\$ 139,979.81	\$ 29,456.06

As shown in the preceding comparison, the total increase in tax commitments for 1951 amounts to \$26,598.81, with a corresponding increase in collections of \$29,456.06. The total outstanding taxes for the year ending December 31, 1951 shows a decrease of \$1,095.11.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD E. TYLER,
Collector of Taxes.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens:

I hereby submit my report for the year 1951.

Our efficiency has been increased this past year by the addition of a new truck. The problem of sanding for modern auto traffic is greater each year than snow removal. All snow has been plowed promptly and if necessary the highways have been sanded at once.

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

Work has been continued again this year on Essex Street, 1300 feet of excavation having been completed, gravel spread and brought up to grade. At the present rate of progress 1954 should see this project very near completion.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Maple Street: Seal coated with one-half stone

Two drains, two manholes, two stone headers

Essex Street: 600 feet guard rail.

East Street: 1000 feet guard rail wire which should have been done many years ago.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Street Oiled	Mileage Feet
Peabody	1.20
Liberty	1.81
Lakeview Ave.	.20
School	.83
Forest	.92
Lakeview Rd.	.20
Lake	.46
Washington	.13
Park	.43
Central	.20
King	.40
Mt. Vernon	.54
Webb	.20
Log Bridge	.32
Bellview Ave.	.22
Hilldale Ave.	.30

Lowell	.24
Old South Main	.10
Pinedale Rd.	.25
Mill	.25

North Main Street, sealcoated with one-half stone.

Park Street, two catch basins installed, also 180 feet of pipe.

Mill Street, rebuilt with gravel and oil for a distance of .40 miles.

GENERAL HIGHWAY WORK

Mill Street, rebuilt bridge near Murray residence.

East Street, retaining wall for river bridge.

A new Ford truck, two tons, has been purchased to speed winter Work.

For a distance of from six to eight feet all brush has been cut along the highways.

Again the highway surveyor and all members of the department wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Police department, and the Finance Committee for their fine cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. HOCTOR, SR.

Highway Surveyor.

TREE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the
Citizens of the Town of Middleton:

Following is my report for the Tree Department for the year
1951.

The major part of the work of the Tree Department this year
was removing dead and diseased trees.

Some pruning, cabling and bracing was done.

Some limbs that were broken and hanging (caused by wind-
storms) were removed.

Trees were cabled and braced on the following streets:

Maple Street	— 2
East Street	— 1

Trees pruned on the following streets:

Maple Street	— 5 Elms - 2 Maples
No. Main Street	— 3 Elms
Boston Street	— 1 Pine

Diseased and decayed trees were removed on the following
streets:

East Street	— 1 Poplar - 1 Willow
Locust Street	— 3 Oaks
Peabody Street	— 1 Maple
Liberty Street	— 2 Elms - 2 Butternut
School Street	— 1 Oak
Essex Street	— 1 Chestnut - 2 Elms
DeBush Avenue	— 1 Oak
Maple Street	— 1 Ash
River Street	— 1 Elm
Kenney Road	— 1 Elm
Pleasant Street	— 2 Elms
Perkins Road	— 1 Elm

I wish to thank the heads of Departments for the cooperation
they have given me during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE OSGOOD,

Tree Warden.

MOTH DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the
Citizens of the Town of Middleton:

Following is the Report of the Moth Department for the year 1951.

All Elm trees were sprayed for Elm Leaf Beetle in May and again in July.

Some areas in town were sprayed for Tent and Forest Caterpillar in May.

Very few Gypsy Moths and no Brown Tail Moths were found this year.

The 2-4-D Spray for Poison Ivy was again applied this year. At the present time the Ivy along the roadside seems to be controlled and I do not recommend a spray for 1952.

Eight cases of Dutch Elm Disease were found, four on private property and four on Town property. This disease is increasing very fast and is a very serious problem, which will take considerable State and Town funds to control.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE OSGOOD,

Moth Superintendent.

POLICE REPORT

Middleton, Mass., February 5, 1952

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens
of the Town of Middleton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report of the Middleton Police Department
for the year ending December 31, 1951.

DEPARTMENT ROSTER

Chief of Police—James W. Wentworth

Regular Specials—Sergeants Lloyd H. Getchell, Arthur G. Doane,
Alexander Fraser, Joseph Peters, William C. Pennock

OFFENCE FOR WHICH ARRESTS WERE MADE:

Allowing an improper person to operate a motor vehicle	1
Armed robbery	2
Attaching number plates assigned to another vehicle	1
Collecting junk without a license	4
Drunkenness	51
Disturbing the peace	2
Breaking and entering in the night time	1
Illegal fishing on Middleton Pond	1
Larceny of a motor vehicle	4
Larceny	3
Leaving the scene of an accident after property damage	4
Malicious damage to property	1
Maintaining a kennel without a license	1
Non-support	3
Neglect of minor children	2
Operating a motor vehicle to endanger	5
Operating a motor vehicle without authority	2
Operating after revocation of license	3
Operating under the influence of liquor	12
Operating unregistered motor vehicle	2
Operating uninsured motor vehicle	2
Operating without a license	3
Refusing to stop for a Police Officer	2
Speeding	12

Did not slow down at an intersection	1
Passing when view was obstructed	1
Trespassing	6
Run away	3
Escape (Reform School)	1
Unarmed robbery	2
Total	138

DISPOSITIONS:

Discharged—not guilty	0
Dismissed	1
Committed to Danvers State Hospital	2
Guilty—fined	53
Guilty—filed	17
Released	36
Placed on probation	14
Sentenced to House of Correction, Salem	6
Sentenced to Concord Reformatory	5
Sentenced to Concord Reformatory—suspended	3
Sentenced to Bridgewater—suspended	1
Total	138

MISCELLANEOUS:

Ambulance and cruiser cases	34
Automobile accidents investigated	33
Complaints received and investigated	715
Dogs shot by Police Department	16
Dogs killed by automobiles	21
Escaped patients returned to the Danvers State Hospital	4
Firearm permits issued	63
Hours in Court	128
Missing and lost persons returned	4
Messages delivered	155
Motor vehicles transfers	147
Stolen property recovered	\$3,439.75
Summons and Warrants served	29
Turned over to the Town Treasurer for firearm permits	\$31.50
Fire calls that the Police went to	26
Licenses suspended and revoked through the	
Registry of Motor Vehicles for speeding, etc.	77
Booked and warned for speeding	94

As in past years we have investigated many property damage cases not listed above which have been settled satisfactorily to all concerned without making arrests or going to court.

In closing I wish to extend my appreciation to the officers which have faithfully performed their duties. Also to the public of the Town of Middleton and to the Board of Selectmen. For their cooperation they have given me.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES W. WENTWORTH,
Chief of Police.

DOG OFFICER'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of the Town of Middleton, Massachusetts
Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report as Dog Officer for the year ending December 31, 1951.

Complaints received and investigated	160
Dogs restrained	11
Dogs killed by automobiles	21
Dogs shot by the Police Department	16
Dogs put in pound	15
Dog licenses collected and turned over to the Town Clerk	\$326.00
Lost dogs returned to rightful owners	8
Poultry killed by dogs	118
Reports of dog bites	11
Stray dogs disposed of	15

To all dog owners 1952 dog licenses are due and payable to the Town Clerk April 1, 1952.

Under Chapter 140, Sect. 138. Being the owner keeper of a dog after April 1st which was not duly licensed:

Penalty ——— \$15.00

Being the owner keeper of a dog which became 3 months old after March 31st, and did not cause it to be licensed:

Penalty ——— \$15.00

I am deeply grateful for the splendid spirit of cooperation shown by the Board of Selectmen and all dog owners during the year 1951.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES W. WENTWORTH,
Dog Officer.

BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT

The Board of Selectmen,

Mr. Wilbur C. Rundlett, Jr., Chairman

Middleton, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The following is a factual report of the activities of the Board of Appeals for the year ending December 31, 1951.

Meetings held	. . . . .	15
Public hearings	. . . . .	10
Formal decisions rendered	. . . . .	6
Decisions pending	. . . . .	3

In all cases proper public notice was given and parties at interest notified.

Copies of all formal decisions have been filed with the Town Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. SANBORN

WILLIAM T. MARTIN

BEAUMONT B. HURD

VINCENT J. PERRY

CHESTER K. MASSE

Board of Appeals.

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Citizens of the Town of Middleton,
Gentlemen:

We hereby submit our annual report as Commissioners of the Electric Light Department.

We are aware of the fact that a number of localities in Town are inconvenienced by low voltage, and are pleased to report that a number of localities have been corrected of this fault.

Our primaries have been extended on Riverview Drive and Pleasant Streets. Our primary voltage has been increased from 2300 volts to 4160 volts on So. Main Street from Middleton Square to the Keddy Machine Co. thereby benefiting the entire south section of Town. Transformer capacity has been increased to the service of more than 100 customers in other sections of Town.

To correct the low voltage condition up to standard to all parts of Town is a very expensive undertaking. Inasmuch as we are a self supporting Department, and operate solely on our earnings, our expansion is of necessity governed by our annual income. However, we intend to correct this voltage difficulty as rapidly as possible to the limits of our budget.

During the past year we have installed street lights on Lakeview Park and the Peabody St. project is nearing completion.

In an effort to reduce our operation expenses we have purchased a new $\frac{3}{4}$ ton truck, and now use the large $2\frac{1}{2}$ ton truck only for setting poles or heavy construction work.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank the Department Heads and their men for their fine cooperation during the past year. Also to our customers, who have been patient and understanding with our endeavor to correct the voltage situation.

The Board of Electric Light Commissioners meet with the Manager at the Electric Light Offices on So. Main St. every second and fourth Thursday at 7:30 P.M. and we will be pleased to meet any

customer who may wish to present himself. In this way we believe that a better understanding between Customer and this Department can be attained.

Respectfully submitted,

G. L. FISHER
CHARLES G. BATES
RICHARD B. FLOYD

Electric Light Commissioners.

WIRE INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Board of Selectmen

Middleton, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Permits issued	39
Work completed	19
Work uncompleted	20
Trouble investigations	30
Calls made for inspections	130
Mileage	234 miles

Expenses

Mileage	\$12.87
Postage	.87
Printing of Permits	15.00
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	\$38.74

I want to thank the Town Officials, Electric Light Department, and the general public for their co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK E. DOW,
Wire Inspector.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Middleton:

Fire Department report for 1951.

During the past year the Fire Department answered 62 calls.

They were as follows:

Buildings	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17
Oil Burners	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Electrical	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Automobiles	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Chimney	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Tar Kettles	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Grass, Woods, Rubbish and Dump	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	31
Needless	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
False	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Calls to Danvers	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Total										62

On a mutual aid plan the department will answer calls in Danvers to Boxes 232 Danvers State Hospital, 236 Essex Aggie, 2323 Colony, 2342 Essex Sanatorium, and 292 Andover and Shawmut Ave. The first four boxes mentioned include the three hospitals and school where there are great life hazards. The last box mentioned is located near the top of the hill, beyond the river bridge on Route 114. This section of Danvers has been somewhat cut off by the new construction on the turnpike.

The department installed three more boxes to its expanding alarm system. These boxes are No. 16 Maple and Webb St., No. 17 King and Mt. Vernon St. and No. 112 Maple and Liberty St.

I am very pleased to announce that twenty members received full certificates from the Dept. of Education, for attending a twenty hour course in practical instruction. Four others received partial certificates.

I wish to thank the Board of Fire Engineers, my officers and men for their most cordial cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. PURDY,

Chief.

Report of Committee Assigned To Survey Housing Needs of Fire Dept.

Middleton, Mass., Jan. 30, 1952

To the Citizens of the Town of Middleton:

At the special town meeting of June 26, 1951, by vote of the townspeople, the Moderator was instructed to appoint a committee of five citizens assigned to the task of "preparing and filing a report at a special meeting to be held in September".

It will be recalled that the problem of adequate housing facilities for the Fire Department had been the subject of previous and continuing studies since 1948, when the Planning Board reported that "the present facilities, while far from adequate, could be made to serve at least through the coming year" (1949).

In March, 1950, a committee was appointed and assigned to make a survey and report. No final action towards a solution of the problem resulted from their report.

But the continued urgency of the problem was recognized by the people at the special town meeting of June 1951, when appointment of the present committee was authorized and directed.

Work was started on July 20, 1951, when the committee organized with Fire Chief Harold Purdy, Chairman, and William Birch, Secretary. One of the first actions of your committee was to make a complete inspection of the existing firehouse at Lake St. As a result of this inspection, the committee unanimously concurred with the statements made at the June town meeting by Fire Chief Purdy and Building Inspector Jones. These statements were as follows:

Chief Purdy stated that the present fire station was no longer safe and called attention to the fact that the town's fire fighting and safety equipment was valued at approximately \$45,000; that the present fire station was inadequate for housing this apparatus; that the lifeboat was kept on private property, away from the firehouse; that one piece of apparatus was housed on King St., in a barn.

Inspector Jones confirmed what Chief Purdy had stated as to the unsafe condition of the firehouse, where equipment weighing fifteen (15) tons was garaged on the street floor alone.

Your committee voted unanimously against recommending that any further town funds be expended on the existing firehouse.

On Dec. 5, 1951, a communication was addressed to the Board of Selectmen, calling attention to the dangerous condition of the hose drying tower and recommended that it be removed without further delay.

For reasons that should be obvious without detailed explanation, the committee ruled out of consideration any proposed locations that might be found on the following thoroughfares:

North Main St. — Boston St. — Central St. — Lake St. — Pleasant St. — Maple St. east of Town Hall — South Main St. south of Arthur Fuller property.

Eleven (11) possible sites within the central area under consideration were investigated.

Three were eliminated from further consideration because they were not considered desirable for the purpose.

Four more were found to be unavailable because the owners would not sell.

One, while available, proved too costly and also presented disadvantages which could not be overcome.

Thus the committee's considerations were narrowed down to the remaining three proposals which are as follows:

PROPOSAL NO. 1

Remodel and develop the present Town Hall for conversion into a complete firehouse.

PROPOSAL NO. 2

Purchase of the available Donald Aylward property (land only) which lies between Old South Main St. and South Main St. and construction of a complete new firehouse.

PROPOSAL NO. 3

Investigate fully the availability of a firehouse site (with possible municipal parking facilities in rear) within the centrally located area bounded by Pleasant St., South Main St., and Lake St., and fronting on Middleton Square.

DETAIL ON PROPOSALS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

No. 1 — Town Hall

Plans and specifications (at no cost to the town) have been procured from an architect of reliable reputation.

Provision is made for the housing of all fire fighting and safety equipment that the town currently owns, including alarm system. Plans include grading to provide adequate apron in front and limited parking in rear.

Development of this proposal would necessitate:

- (a) Removal of large elm tree west of town hall
- (b) Removal of jail house in rear of town hall
- (c) Relocation of town vault elsewhere
- (d) Relocation of sewerage system
- (e) Installation of complete new heating system

Development of this proposal would also provide assembly hall for all department activities.

Architects estimated cost \$26,000.

No. 2 — Aylward Property

Plans and specifications (at no cost to the town) have been procured from an architect of reliable reputation.

Provision is made for the housing of all fire fighting and safety equipment that the town currently owns, including alarm system; graded grounds and front apron; some parking; assembly hall included.

This building would be of cinder block construction, stucco surfaced, with pitched wooden roof and non-combustible shingles. (no steel).

Architects estimated cost \$38,000.

(In both proposals 1 and 2, architects plans present the maximum expansion attainable at these two locations.)

No. 3 — Central Square

The town currently has title to at least two parcels of land within this area, namely the Flint Public Library lot and the adjoining lot containing the present firehouse and forestry department buildings. While these two parcels make up the bulk of the entire area involved, extensive vacant land adjoins it.

On Sept. 5, 1951, your committee met with the Library Trustees and requested detailed information as to the extent of the Library holdings, with a view toward determining whether or not any land with frontage on the Square might be available for consideration as a possible site. A further request was made at that time that the terms of the original acquisition of the Library lot be searched for information as to custodianship of any land involved.

Your committee, in surveying the overall possibilities at this central location, became so strongly impressed with the natural advantages presented at this central site, especially by comparison with the limited possibilities at the other two locations, that it was unanimously voted to procure all available information regarding this site before submitting any final report and recommendation, even though such a course might entail further delay. To this end a joint meeting was held on Dec. 17, 1951.

In attendance were members members of the Board of Selectmen, Library Trustees, Planning Board, Finance Committee and the Fire-house committee.

As a result of this meeting, the Selectmen requested the Town Counsel to make a search of the title and custodianship of the Library lot. Under date Jan. 3, a detailed report was received from town conusel James J. Gaffney. This report proved to be extremely interesting and informative, but is of such length as to prohibit full repetition in this report.

Excerpts from the Gaffney report are as follows:

"Following your request for an opinion as to the extent of the holding of the Flint Public Library, and as to who has control of the same, it is my opinion that no part of the real estate on which the Flint Public Library is situated may be used for any other municipal use or purpose unless and until (1) the Trustees of the Flint Public Library shall vote that such real estate or any part thereof is no longer needed for library purposes, and shall give notice of such vote to the Board of Selectmen, and, (2) the town, at a regular or special meeting held after the receipts of such notice, shall, by two-thirds vote, transfer the control of said real estate to another municipal board or department for another municipal use."

"The description contained in said (library lot) deed is as follows:

Land in Middleton, with the buildings thereon, on the Westerly side of South Main St., at its junction with Lake St. and bounded thus: Easterly by said South Main St., 112 feet; Southerly by land of Catherine E. McKinney, 52 feet; Easterly by land of said McKinney, about 40 feet; Southerly by Pleasant St. and land of Merriam, 155 feet to the brook; Southwesterly by the brook, 82 feet; Westerly by the wall at land now or late of, 194 feet; Northerly by said Lake Street, 191 feet."

"Thus the only way by which **any part** of the present library site may be used for another municipal purpose is by following the pro-

cedure outlined in Ch. 40, Sec. 15A — i.e., by an affirmative determination on the part of the (Library) Trustees that the land in question is not needed for library purposes, a notice to this effect to the Selectmen, and a two-thirds vote at a town meeting in pursuance of an article in the warrant.

“It should be noted, however, that the library site is confined to the metes and bounds set forth in the conveyance of May 2, 1890, (above) and that an up-to-date survey of the library site might be desirable to determine whether or not in fact any encroachment on library property has taken or will take place.”

Through its lengthy deliberations, the dominant aim of your survey committee has been to find a **central** location for a new firehouse, and to do so if possible, without in any way disturbing existing public or private establishments.

With this in mind, and following the suggestion of town counsel, the committee, on Jan. 7, 1952, requested that the Selectmen engage a surveyor to determine the exact layout of the library holdings as described in the May 2, 1890 deed.

From the description of the library lot bounds as set forth in the deed, beginning at the point of junction between Lake and So. Main Sts., the library lot frontage line would appear to leave a strip of about one-hundred (100) feet of the existing vacant frontage unaccounted for in the metes and bounds of the library lot deed.

As of this date the projected survey has not been completed. Therefore, your committee now feels it is not fully prepared to submit a final report at this time.

In the course of our deliberations we have encountered other town problems, equally pressing, and so closely related to the problem under study that we are of the opinion that the whole project might better be dealt with through the combined efforts of this committee and the regularly constituted Planning Board of the town. Only in this way can the firehouse project be treated as an integral part of the town's overall planning.

This committee is of the opinion that any final recommendation should come to the people from their regularly elected Planning Board. This report was adopted at a regular meeting of this committee held on Jan. 28, 1952.

(signed)

HAROLD PURDY, Chairman

WILBUR C. RUNDLETT, JR.

WILLIAM G. BIRCH, Secretary

EARL F. JONES

CHESTER K. MASSE

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE REPORT BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE REPORT

Report to the Town of Middleton for the year ending December 31, 1951:

GENERAL RELIEF:

Unsettled State	1 case	1 person
Outside Cities and Towns	4 cases	5 persons
Middleton	6 cases	23 persons
Child Guardianship	2 cases	2 persons

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN:

(No settlement laws in A.D.C.)

Middleton	5 cases	13 persons
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DISABILITY ASSISTANCE:

(No settlement laws in D.A.)

No cases

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE:

Unsettled State	16 cases
Outside cases	8 cases
Middleton	43 cases

There has been considerable increase in O.A.A. costs due to a cost of living increase granted by the Legislature during the year. Expense for G.R. and A.D.C. declined during the same period.

A new federal-aided category of assistance, Disability Assistance, now prevails in this State. It is safe to assume that certain residents of this community will meet the eligibility requirements. Thus it is necessary that sufficient funds be appropriated to meet their needs. Reimbursement from the state and federal governments will amount to 75% of the total cost of Disability Assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEXANDER FRASER, Chairman

CHARLES PASQUALE

LEYLAND A. PHILLIPS, Clerk

REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD

January 11, 1952

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Middleton:

The Annual Report of the Planning Board for the year 1951.

The Board organized with Arthur S. Tuttle as Chairman. Alton Hubbard who has been Secretary for the past three years, felt that it would be impossible to continue in this capacity owing to other duties. The Board was unable to elect a successor, for that reason the chairman has been the acting Secretary.

The Board has held regular meetings through the year. There have been several special meetings called by request.

The Board had one meeting with the Selectmen this year, that meeting was for the purpose of clarifying the enforcement of the Zoning By-Laws.

At the Annual Town meeting of March 1951, one Article referred to the Planning Board, it being Article 13, which reads as follows:

Article 13. To see what action the Town will take regarding the erection of an Honor Roll and to appropriate a sum of money and take whatever action necessary.

Regarding Article 13. The Board called committees from the two Veterans Organizations, also other interested citizens of the town. As a result of this meeting we found a number of complex problems of which two were outstanding, one being the drafting of the boys due to the present conflict, and two, the possibility of much larger numbers being called under various conditions. Under these circumstances the board recommended that a committee be appointed by the town for further study.

The Board has received a number of reports from the Appeal Board as required by law. Replies were made to these reports and recommendations made as considered in the interest of the town.

The needs of the Fire Department have been under consideration by the Planning Board. From information received and our observation, showed the present Fire House to be in very poor condition as well as inadequate for our present equipment. While the Board was

in discussion preparatory to making any recommendations, the town appointed a committee for this purpose. The board will wait for the result of this committee.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR TUTTLE, Chairman
ALBERT C. MURRAY
ALTON W. HUBBARD
EBEN L. JEWETT
HAROLD I. NASH

Planning Board.

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE FOR THE HOWE-MANNING ADDITION

Since the last report in the 1951 Town Report, the Building Committee has accepted the Addition to the Howe-Manning School. This Addition, in use since September, has added five large classrooms, one smaller classroom, a Principal's office, an enlarged lunchroom, and a combination auditorium-gymnasium with shower rooms to the school facilities. The building has been built under trying circumstances due to International conditions which have caused difficulties in procuring steel and other building materials. In spite of this, the building is well constructed and should serve the Town for many years to come.

At the Special Town Meeting in June, 1951, the Building Committee was authorized to advertise for and purchase furnishings for this Addition. These are now 90% complete.

We thank the many Town Officers, School Officials, and others for their splendid cooperation in helping us to complete this project.
February 9, 1952

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. HUBBARD, Chairman
R. F. CLAPP
J. H. COFFIN
E. L. JEWETT
E. F. JONES
L. A. BATCHELDER, Secretary

TOWN OF MIDDLETON
BOARD OF HEALTH

Rules Governing Operating of Piggeries

In Accordance with Section 31 and 31A of Chapter 111 of the General Laws.

1. No individual or individuals, partnership, company or corporation shall keep a pig or swine within the limits of this municipality without first obtaining a permit from the Board of Health. All such permits shall expire on December 31 of each year unless sooner revoked. Any permit may be revoked at any time by the Board of Health for cause.

2. A license to transport garbage, offal or other offensive substance along the public highways of this municipality must be obtained from the Board of Health in accordance with Chapter 111, Section 31A, and no such materials shall be so transported without such a license. All licenses shall expire on December 31st. Any license may be revoked at any time by the Board of Health for cause. Garbage and other offensive material shall be transported only in watertight vehicles or containers and shall be securely covered with wood, iron or canvass cover while the vehicle is in motion.

3. All piggeries shall be suitably isolated and maintained in such a manner that no nuisance shall be created thereby. No pen or enclosure shall be located within 150 feet of any public way.

4. All piggeries will be examined frequently by a representative of the Board of Health, who will make such recommendations to the owner as are necessary to maintain the piggery in a proper condition.

5. Properly ventilated buildings of substantial construction, preferably painted white or white-washed, well lighted, and so designed that accumulation of offensive material can be readily removed, shall be provided. For indoor pens watertight troughs of cement or metal kept in good repair shall be provided for feeding purposes, and these troughs must be thoroughly cleaned every day.

6. All buildings used for the housing of swine shall be kept in a clean and satisfactory condition. Brood houses shall be cleaned daily.

7. If outdoor pens or runs are provided, the swine shall be fed from platforms built of heavy watertight material flat on the ground or on skids one foot above the ground so arranged that the platform

can be readily moved and the ground at the earlier location ploughed in. If the feeding platform is elevated, the space between the ground and platform shall be kept clear and clean, and no food shall be allowed to accumulate about the platform or on the ground.

8. A bin for receiving garbage shall be provided, which shall be covered during warm weather.

9. Garbage cans, wagons and trucks shall be thoroughly cleansed after the garbage has been removed therefrom.

10. Manure and refuse in outdoor pens shall be cleaned out at least twice weekly and must either be removed from the premises immediately or must be so kept that it will not constitute a nuisance and so that the pigs will not have access to it.

11. If uneaten garbage, manure and refuse are collected in compost piles, they shall be treated or covered with earth, loam or other suitable material in sufficient amounts to eliminate any odor or nuisance. All such piles shall be at least 500 feet from any highway or dwelling. No garbage, manure or putrescible matter whatsoever shall, except in the cultivation and use of soil in ordinary methods of agriculture, be put upon the ground within 250 feet of high water mark of any source of water supply or within 250 feet of high water mark of any open waters flowing directly or ultimately into said source of water supply. In addition, during the fly-breeding seasons, they shall be sprayed daily with some suitable coal-tar compound or other satisfactory insecticide.

12. Manure shall be spread upon the land only when such land is in condition to plough and any manure so spread shall be ploughed under within forty-eight hours.

13. Wet muck in outdoor pens shall be removed and replaced with clean sand.

14. A water supply adequate for cleaning purposes shall be provided.

15. No pigs shall be kept within 50 feet of any room where milk is handled. No person who handles milk shall assist in the maintenance of pigs or the cleaning of pens.

16. Adequate personnel shall be employed at all times for the proper maintenance and operation of the piggery.

17. No piggery shall be located, constructed or maintained any part of which is within 250 feet of the high water mark of any source

of drinking water supply or any tributary thereof, or within 250 feet of high water mark of any open waters flowing directly or ultimately into any source of water supply.

TOWN OF MIDDLETON,

Wilbur C. Rundlett, Jr.
James H. Coffin

Published in The Danvers Herald
October 11, 1951

Report of the Finance Committee For the Town of Middleton

Upon the Warrant

For the Annual Meeting to be held March 11, 1952

To the Voters of the Town of Middleton:

Your Finance Committee has held several meetings with the various department heads and also an open meeting with the voters of the Town on February 5, 1952, for the purpose of discussing the budget for this year.

The recommendations of the committee, which you will find detailed under the various Articles of the Warrant, were made only after lengthy studies of requested departmental budgets, and they represent what the committee feels actually are needed.

This year, in keeping with our campaign for enforced economy wherever possible, we are asking for a Reserve Fund of \$1,500 instead of the usual \$2,500. We know that with this smaller amount of money available there will be less inclination for department heads to feel that they can overstep their budgets.

The following amounts were transferred from the Reserve Fund in 1951 and are included in the expenditures of the departments which received them.

		1951 Appropriation—\$2,500.00
Mar. 25, 1951	Police Car Purchase	\$ 32.65
Oct. 9, 1951	Accountants Equipment	50.10
Dec. 17, 1951	Board of Selectmen-Furnishings	575.00
Dec. 24, 1951	Police Dept.—Expenses	80.00
Dec. 31, 1951	Cemtery—Graves	102.45
Total Expended		\$840.20

Transferred to Surplus Revenue	\$1,659.80
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The voters should note that we have recommended appropriations for use of the Town Hall for the first half of the year only. With the transfer of the Selectmen's office to Memorial Hall, the only use for the building will be the rental of the hall by the few organizations that

meet there now. We have been assured that arrangements could be made for them to meet elsewhere so that the building could be closed. Even though such action would save the taxpayer considerable expense nonetheless, we should be cognizant of the fact that the building could prove a "white elephant" unless a constructive plan is realized for its proper utilization.

The taxpayers should be reminded that our "Charities" are on the increase each year. The fact that our town lies in a so-called "Welfare State" does not preclude the fact that the initiative to change that kind of thinking rests with us when we go to the polls or when we see that more liberal legislation of that kind is being considered by our legislators.

The rest of this report we believe is self-explanatory. We wish to express our thanks to the various department heads for their cooperation in discussing their budget requests.

Respectfully submitted,

H. M. RICHARDSON, Chairman

E. L. McINTIRE

L. A. BATCHELDER

J. R. HILYARD

R. T. SPERRY, Clerk

ARTICLE 1. To hear and act on Committee reports.

No recommendation required.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1952, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew such notes or note as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 17, of the General Laws.

Committee recommends approval of this Article.

ARTICLE 3. To see what action the Town will take to defray the Town expenses for the ensuing year.

Committee recommendations are set forth in Schedule A pg. 108.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for Chapter 90 Highway construction on Essex Street; said sum to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by State and County for this purpose.

Committee recommends approval of this Article and that the sum of \$2,000.00 be appropriated from available funds to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90, Highway Construction on Essex Street, and that in addition the sum of \$6,000.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work. The reimbursement from the State and County is to be restored upon their receipt, to Unappropriated Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for Chapter 90 Maintenance, said funds to be used in conjunction with any money allotted by the State for this purpose.

Committee recommends approval of this Article, and that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90, Highway Maintenance, and that in addition, the sum of \$500.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work. The reimbursement from the State is to be restored, upon receipt, to Unappropriated Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,800.00 for Chapter 81 Highway Maintenance work; said funds to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State for this purpose.

Committee recommends approval of this Article and that the sum of \$4,800.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81, Highway Maintenance Work, and that in addition, the sum of \$8,800.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Available Funds in the Treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work. The reimbursement from the State is to be restored, upon receipt, to Unappropriated Funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Assessors to use such free cash in the Treasury as they, in their best judgment, feel is warranted, for the purpose of reducing the tax rate.

Committee recommends approval of this Article.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for Surveying and Laying-out of streets.

Committee recommends approval of this Article and that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to have the Moderator appoint a Committee of five to investigate and study the pro-

visions of Chapter 662 of the Acts of 1949, the act relative to the organization of union health departments, and to study existing public health services and facilities in the Town and to determine the advantages to be derived from Middleton joining with neighboring Towns for a Town Union Health Department. This Committee to report its findings and recommendations at a future Town meeting.

No recommendation necessary.

ARTICLE 10. On the petition of Dominic Pellicelli and 17 others. To see if the Town will vote to excavate and gravel Bow Street for a distance of three hundred feet (300 ft.) and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the same.

Committee does not recommend approval of this Article.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to place signs at the entrance of Town on Boston Street, East Street and Maple Street.

Committee recommends approval of this Article and that the sum of \$150.00 be raised and appropriated.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 781 of the Acts of 1951 increasing the allowances made under the Essex County Retirement Fund.

Committee recommends approval of this Article.

ARTICLE 13. On petition of the Board of Health. To see if the Town will vote to have a committee of five citizens appointed by the Moderator to find a suitable dumping location, and this committee be authorized to take an option to purchase such property and report to the next annual Town meeting.

No recommendation required.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to elect a board of three Selectmen, one for a term of one year, one for a term of two years and one for a term of three years at the annual Town meeting of 1953 and to elect one member each year thereafter for a term of three years, as authorized by the provision of General Laws (ter. Ed.) Chapter 41 Section 1.

Schedule A

Recommendations Under Article 3

Item No.	Average Expended 1948-1950	Expended 1951		Recommended 1952
GENERAL GOVERNMENT—5.47% OF TOTAL				
1.	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	Moderator	\$ 50.00
			Finance Committee	
2.	11.00	26.00	Expense	30.00
			Selectmen:	
3.	750.00	750.00	Salaries and Wages	750.00
4.	275.04	300.00	Expense	300.00
5.	0.00	0.00	Clerical Assistance Expense	250.00
			Town Accountant:	
6.	700.00	700.00	Salaries and Wages	900.00
7.	49.72	80.87	Expense	100.00
			Treasurer:	
8.	700.00	700.00	Salaries and Wages	800.00
9.	335.33	368.50	Expense	410.00
10.	334.28	44.75	Tax Title Expense	250.00
			Tax Collector:	
11.	700.00	700.00	Salaries and Wages	800.00
12.	419.17	520.58	Expense	555.00
			Assessors:	
13.	1,500.00	1,500.00	Salaries and Wages	1,500.00
14.	546.24	595.00	Expense	680.00
			Law:	
15.	366.66	400.00	Salaries and Wages	600.00
16.	72.27	154.85	Expense	
			Town Clerk:	
17.	400.00	400.00	Salaries	400.00
18.	77.38	66.50	Expense	113.00
			Elections and Registrations:	
19.	180.00	100.00	Salaries and Wages	220.00
20.	421.32	148.79	Expense	700.00
21.	196.94	3.00	Planning Board Expense	0.00
			Town Hall:	
22.	730.00	730.00	Salaries and Wages	365.00
23.	794.09	706.58	Expense	400.00

Item No.	Average Expended 1948-1950	Expended 1951		Recommended 1952
			Memorial Hall:	
24.	123.33	300.00	Salaries and Wages	300.00
25.	687.09	1,053.47	Expense	1,500.00
26.	26.66	484.43	Office Alterations	0.00
27.		\$10,833.32	Total—General Government ..	\$11,973.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY 6.65% OF TOTAL

			Police:	
28.	\$2,833.33	\$3,120.00	Salary of Chief	\$3,120.00
29.	1,220.00	1,415.23	Wages of Reserve Officers ..	1,500.00
30.	1,796.37	2,630.98	Dept. Expense	1,612.00
31.	35.00	35.00	Salary of Constable	35.00
32.		\$7,201.21	Total for Dept. including new car purchase	\$6,267.00
33.	640.55	715.00	Fire:	
34.	3,864.30	4,351.24	Salaries	765.00
35.		\$5,066.24	Wages and Expense	4,105.00
36.	200.00	300.00	Total for Dept.	\$4,870.00
37.	50.00	60.49	Building Inspector:	
38.	24.89	121.45	Salary	300.00
39.	0.00	100.00	Expense	75.00
40.	0.00	28.76	Board of Appeals:	
41.	125.00	125.00	Expense	115.00
42.	40.61	74.07	Wire Inspector:	
43.	1,199.17	1,199.27	Salary	100.00
44.	928.08	1,089.06	Expense	25.00
45.	66.66	199.75	Sealer of Weights and Measures:	
46.	300.00	299.28	Salary and Wages	125.00
			Expense	75.00
			Forestry:	
			Moth Expense	1,200.00
			Tree Expense	1,000.00
			Dutch Elm Disease Control:	
			Expense	500.00
			Poison Ivy Control	0.00

Item No.	Average Expended 1948-1950	Expended 1951		Recommended 1952
47.	0.00	509.94	Civilian Defense: Expense	0.00
48.		<u>\$16,374.52</u>	Total Protection Persons and Property	<u>\$14,652.00</u>

HEALTH AND SANITATION 1.28% OF TOTAL

49.	\$1,535.14	\$1,828.31	Board of Health—Expense	\$2,000.00
50.	365.66	102.00	Dental Clinic	500.00
51.	200.00	200.00	Inspector of Cattle—Salary	200.00
52.	100.00	100.00	Inspector of Slaughtering: Salary	100.00
53.		<u>\$2,230.31</u>	Total—Health and Sanitation	<u>\$2,800.00</u>

HIGHWAYS—12.5% OF TOTAL

54.	\$2,523.33	\$3,120.00	Salary of Highway Surveyor (From Available Dept. Funds)	\$3,120.00
55.	2,880.61	3,427.58	Road Machinery Account	\$4,000.00
56.	2,924.88	4,208.74	(Transfer from Rd. Mach. Fund)	
57.	4,800.00	4,800.00	Highway—General Fund	4,000.00
			Chapter 81, Maintenance (see Art. 3)	4,800.00
		13,600.00	Total Spent, Incl. State	
58.	1,916.66	2,000.00	Chapter 90 Construction (see Art. 5)	2,000.00
		5,582.97	Total Spent, Incl. State and County Chapter 90 Maintenance	
59.	1,666.66	2,000.00	(see Art. 6)	1,000.00
		3,000.00	Total Spent, Incl. State Snow—Expense	
60.	8,506.10	5,774.46	(Labor and Materials)	7,500.00
61.	87.02	0.00	Land Taking—Essex St.	300.00
62.	2,750.00	3,500.00	Street Lights	3,500.00
			Xmas Tree—Park— Traffic Lights	100.00
63.	69.48	12.81	Truck	0.00
64.		<u>3,000.00</u>		
65.		<u>\$42,106.56</u>	Total—Highway	<u>\$27,200.00</u>

Item No.	Average Expended 1948-1950	Expended 1951	Recommended 1952
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CHARITIES—19.9% OF TOTAL

			General Relief:	
66.	\$375.00	\$475.00	Salaries and Wages	\$475.00
67.	7,189.56	3,671.15	Expense	5,000.00
			Old Age Assistance:	
68.	25,166.66	24,586.07	Expense	30,000.00
		43,605.15	Total Spent, Incl. Fed. Grant	
			Aid To Dependent Children:	
69.	4,333.33	2,640.75	Expense	5,000.00
		5,397.65	Total Spent, Incl. Fed. Grant	
70.	979.51	1,140.00	Welfare Dist. Adm.	
			(Town's share)	928.50
			Aid to Disabled Persons	2,000.00
71.		\$54,288.95	Totals—Charities	\$43,403.50

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS—1.05% OF TOTAL

72.	\$250.00	\$250.00	Veterans' Agent—Salary	250.00
73.	0.00	0.00	Expense	25.00
74.	1,602.60	1,028.60	Soldiers' Relief—Expense	2,000.00
75.		\$1,278.60	Totals—Soldiers' Benefits	\$2,275.00

SCHOOLS—38.51% OF TOTAL

76.	\$30,454.36	\$39,271.17	Salaries and Wages	\$47,615.61
77.	26,459.00	32,841.86	Expense	36,772.46
78.	554.31	530.15	Vocational Education:	
			Expense	6,000.00
79.		\$72,643.18	Total—Schools	\$84,988.07
			Total Spent on School Add.	
		\$117,077.21	Year 1951	

NOTE: School Aid Estimate per Chapter 70, Section 10 \$16,685.00; net cost to Town \$63,703.07 — Full Amount \$84,388.07. Must be appropriated in anticipation of reimbursements from the Commonwealth for support of schools.

Item No.	Average Expended 1948-1950	Expended 1951		Recommended 1952
LIBRARIES—1.15% OF TOTAL				
80.	\$1,077.48	\$1,151.09	Salaries and Wages	\$ 1,300.00
81.	1,362.19	1,613.01	Expense	1,200.00
			Plus Dog Tax—Refund	
32.		\$2,764.10	Total—Libraries	\$2,500.00
RECREATION—.39% OF TOTAL				
83.	\$538.90	\$719.02	Park—Expense	\$850.00
84.		\$719.02	Total—Recreation	\$850.00
UNCLASSIFIED—4.52% OF TOTAL				
85.	\$539.57	\$702.00	Town Report	\$850.00
86.	377.40	399.63	Memorial Day	400.00
87.	1,422.59	1,698.58	Retirement Fund Assessment	1,899.12
			Reserve Fund:	
88.	932.72	840.20	Finance Committee	1,500.00
89.	1,430.81	5,541.32	Insurance	3,000.00
90.	0.00	1,627.50	Annuity	2,170.00
91.		\$10,809.23	Total—Unclassified	\$9,819.12
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES				
92.	\$100.00	\$100.00	Wages—Auditor	\$150.00
			Salaries:	
93.	300.00	300.00	Commissioners (\$100. each)	300.00
94.	2,449.42	2,860.00	Wages—Clerk	3,146.00
95.	12,669.11	14,477.90	Wages—Distrib. & Maint., Const.,	
			Maint. Street Lights	15,300.00
96.	47,422.11	76,000.00	Energy	75,000.00
97.	14,276.13	15,998.63	Maint. & Const. Expense	16,000.00
98.	2,694.10	3,128.82	Depreciation Account	6,047.66
99.	0.00	1,000.00	Reserve Account (transfer	
			from Dept. Surplus Account,	
100.	0.00	0.00	Tree Clearance	1,000.00
101.		\$113,865.35	Total—All to be taken from earnings	
			of Electric Light Dept.	\$117,981.30

Item No.	Average Expended 1948-1950	Expended 1951	Recommended 1952
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TOWN SCALES—.02% OF TOTAL

102.	\$ 50.00	\$ 25.00	Salaries and Wages	\$50.00
103.	44.32	0.00	Expense	25.00

Total—Public Service

CEMETERIES—1.67% OF TOTAL

104.		\$113,890.00	Enterprises	\$118,056.30
105.	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	Salary—Supt. of Burials	\$30.00
			Salaries—Commissioners	
106.	60.00	60.00	(\$20. each)	60.00
107.	2,355.41	2,898.67	Expense—Maintenance	2,900.00
108.	468.82	602.45	Expense—Opening Graves	650.00
109.	146.02	86.00	Equipment	0.00
110.		\$3,687.12	Total—Cemeteries	\$3,640.00

MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST—6.90% OF TOTAL

111.	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	School Construction Note	\$2,000.00
112.	0.00	10,000.00	School Addition Note	10,000.00
113.	1,333.00	2,000.00	Tractor Purchase Note	0.00
114.	666.66	2,000.00	Memorial Hall Alteration Note	0.00
115.	404.93	3,575.00	Interest on Same	3,315.00
116.		\$19,575.00	Total Maturing Dept.	
		\$468,327.22	and Interest	15,315.00
			Total Spent—All Departments	
117.			Total—Budget	
			Recommendations	336,771.99
			Total—Special Art.	
118.			not in Budget	12,004.75
119.			Total—All Recommendations	\$348,776.74

Item No.		Recommended 1952
	Add:	
120.	Estimated State Charges, County Taxes, Assessors Estimate of Overlay and All Other Amounts Required by law to be raised	\$14,709.05
121.	Grand Total—Recommendations and Estimates	\$363,485.79
	Deductions:	
122.	Deductions to Compute Estimated Tax Rate: Estimated Receipts, Income, Corporation, Gasoline Taxes from State, Motor Vehicle Excise and other Local Receipts from sources other than taxation	\$211,403.29
123.	Poll Taxes	1,688.00
		\$213,091.29
124.	Estimated Balance to be raised by a Levy on Local Real Estate and Tangible Personal Property other than Motor Vehicles	\$150,394.50
125.	Estimated Tax Rate based upon above recommendations using the Current Valuation of Town (Assessors' Estimate—\$2,481,738.00)	60.59
NOTE:		
Your Finance Committee has prepared the above Estimated Tax Rate based on its Recommendations and Estimated Receipts, knowing that these figures are furnished solely as a guide and that the Board of Assessors is the sole body empowered to fix the Official Tax Rate.		
HOWEVER:		
We recommend a transfer of \$12,000.00 from the Town Surplus Fund to reduce the amount to be raised by taxation.		
126.	This would result in an approximate Tax Rate of	\$55.75

Report

of the

Middleton School Committee

1951

SCHOOL REPORT

School Committee

MR. EBEN JEWETT, Chairman	Term expires 1952
MRS. ROSAMOND BASTABLE, Secretary	Term expires 1952
MR. HAROLD F. PURDY	Term expires 1953
MR. HENRY LUSCOMB	Term expires 1954
MR. RAYMOND MAXWELL	Resigned

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

THOMAS L. RIVARD, Tewksbury Office: Tewksbury High School

The superintendent may be seen at the Howe-Manning School, by appointment. Appointments may be made through Mr. Raymond Dower, Principal. Telephone Danvers 475-M 1.

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Mrs. Lois Rogers, M.D. Topsfield, Mass.

SCHOOL NURSE

Mrs. Louise Brennan, R.N. Salem, Mass.

School Calendar

1952

Open January 2, 1952 Close February 21, 1952

VACATION — ONE WEEK

Open March 3, 1952 Close April 25, 1952

VACATION — ONE WEEK

Open May 5, 1952 Close June 13, 1952

SUMMER VACATION

Open September 8, 1952 Close December 23, 1952

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

February 22 Good Friday May 30

October 12 (celebrated on Monday)

November 11 November 27 and 28

(and such other days as the School Committee may designate)

The School Calendar may be subject to change.

No School Signals

AT 7:40 A. M.

- a. 2-2-2 on the fire signal.
- b. A couple of blasts at the B. B. Chemical Co.
- c. Street lights on for three minutes.

Radio Station WBZ, Boston, will carry an announcement on their regular no school broadcasts.

The High School signal will be given at 7:15 on the fire whistle.

SCHOOL CENSUS

October 1, 1951

Age	Boys	Girls	Total
5—7	57	47	104
7—16	199	170	369
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4—5			72
3—4			49
2—3			55
1—2			57
under 1 year			46

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The school committee hereby submits to the citizens and taxpayers of Middleton its annual report.

Our committee feels that the past year can best be characterized by the word, "growth."

At the present time we have a grammar school enrollment of 377 pupils as compared with 356 for last year. To satisfy this growth and to provide better educational opportunities for each child, two additional classrooms were used and two more teachers were added to our staff. For next September, we anticipate an enrollment figure of approximately 406 pupils. Such an enrollment will necessitate the use of still another classroom and the employing of another teacher.

We have seen growth in areas other than pupil enrollment and teaching personnel. We are experiencing our first school year with the addition of our four completely modern and functional classrooms, the beautiful auditorium-gymnasium combination, and the enlarged cafeteria. Sincere gratitude is due the school building committee for the countless hours spent in planning and carrying out the details for this great project.

The growth in the school plant has facilitated growth in the scope of our educational program. The gymnasium has made it possible to inaugurate physical education and an athletic program this year. We expect that phases of this program will be carried out onto the playground thus providing organized outdoor activity and better playground supervision.

Through the use of the new auditorium, the social phase of our school program may now be brought into proper focus and audio-visual aids used more extensively as a medium for teaching.

To insure safe transportation for our bus pupils, the committee was obliged to provide for a third bus this school year.

Our present growth is necessarily reflected in an increased school budget through such items as salaries, books, supplies, transportation, fuel, and maintenance.

We have been notified by the town of Danvers that as of January 1, 1952 our high school tuition will increase from \$197.86 to \$223.33 — an increase of \$25.47 per pupil.

We are having bookcases built for the school library, and we hope to add to our library books each year to promote greater use of library facilities by our pupils.

We have provided in our new budget for the painting of the rooms on the main floor in the old section of the building. After 13 years of use, there is a definite need for brightening up the old classrooms. This need is emphasized by the contrast with the new rooms. We plan to redecorate only one floor this year and to complete the renovating in subsequent budgets.

During the past year, our committee held several meetings with the Tewksbury school committee for the purpose of electing a union superintendent. Mr. Thomas Rivard, a graduate of Tufts College, was unanimously elected to fill the position. The Middleton Committee made provisions with Tewksbury for an increased allotment of the superintendent's time and feel that this arrangement has been well worthwhile.

Several meetings were also held for the express purpose of electing a new principal. Mr. Raymond Dower was selected for this position.

The committee sponsored a bill to provide a retirement pension for Miss Manning. This received favorable action by the State legislature and subsequently by the voters of Middleton.

The committee is now working on regulations that will provide for community use of the excellent facilities that our new school addition affords. We feel that these facilities can do much toward promoting clean, wholesome entertainment, especially for the youth of our town.

We are also working on a new salary schedule for our teachers. We are agreed that some adjustment in our present scale should be made and are working out the details of a new schedule.

We want to thank our superintendent and our principal, our teaching personnel, janitor, and cafeteria workers for their cooperation during the past year. We also want to thank the parents and the taxpayers of Middleton for their cooperation and interest in our school program.

Respectfully submitted,
EBEN JEWETT, Chairman
HAROLD PURDY
HENRY LUSCOMB
ROSAMOND BASTABLE, Secretary
Middleton School Committee.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Middleton School Committee:

I am pleased to submit my first report for your consideration.

"Education in a democracy seeks to effect the actualization of the potentialities of each individual in consonance with, and for the development of, a continuously progressing society."

It is with this thought that I begin my services as your superintendent, extremely cognizant of the deep responsibility placed upon me for the education of the youth of this town.

RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

A number of changes have taken place during the year in the teaching personnel.

RESIGNATIONS

Mr. Renee R. Mathieu	Remedial Reading
Mr. Francis Albanese	Grade VIII
Mrs. Mary Dunn	Grade VI
Mrs. Stella Salva	Grade V
Mrs. Frances Carpenter	Grade III
Miss Alice O'Hanasian	Supervisor of Music
Mr. Thomas C. Lane	Supervisor of Art

APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Raymond Dower, a graduate of the University of New Hampshire and Boston University, was elected Supervising Principal.

Miss Dorothy Shea, a graduate of Boston University was elected Reading Supervisor.

Mr. John Branch, a graduate of the University of Maine, was elected to teach Grade 8; Mrs. Ann Rikkola, a graduate of Worcester State Teachers College, to teach Grade 6; Mrs. Ann LaFortune, a graduate of Trinity College, to teach Grade 5; Miss Patricia Collins, a graduate of Salem Teachers College, to teach Grade 5; Mrs. Constance Cobb, a graduate of Boston University, to teach Grade 4; Miss Carmelina Marino, to teach Grade 3; Mrs. Doris Nyquist, a graduate of New England Conservatory of Music, to teach music and Miss Sonia Antis, now attending Boston Museum School of Fine Arts, to teach Art.

HANDWRITING

The Rinehart Functional Handwriting System is operating effectively. This system stresses functional movement, combining a finger and arm movement to permit ease and freedom in penmanship. Writing is a useful and necessary part in education, and good writing habits achieved in the formal writing period should have a carryover value into other subjects and life pursuits.

The Rinehart supervisors visit Middleton once a month to supervise teachers and pupils. Each month the papers of all pupils are diagnosed and graded on especially prepared charts for the individual pupil.

Formal and informal samples of handwriting are graded, and certificates are awarded for satisfactory performance. The Rinehart service includes all instructional materials such as monthly teacher outlines, room motivation certificates, envelopes, seals, and individual certificates awarded to those who qualify in the handwriting tests.

EDUCATIONAL AND EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICATES

Every person from 14-16 years of age must have an employment certificate or permit, and those between 16-21 years of age must have an educational certificate. These certificates and permits may be obtained from the Superintendent of Schools, the Principal of the Howe-Manning School, and Mr. Harold Purdy.

When one makes application for a certificate, he must apply in person and bring birth certificate and report of last grade attended.

STATISTICS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 1950-1951

Total Enrollment	360
Average Membership	354
Average Attendance	322
Percent of Attendance	90

DISCIPLINE

The learning process can be achieved successfully only when students are well-disciplined. The best discipline is self-discipline and springs from interest in school work and school life. Students are members of the school community, and as such, have the same obligations toward those in authority as the people of a town or city toward those elected or appointed to positions of authority. Without willing obedience to authority, the whole educational process is impaired, and

more important, the essential formation of character is destroyed. Active cooperation between the home and the school in this matter is essential.

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

The work of our School Lunch Program, capably supervised by Mrs. Margaret Osgood, continues to be outstanding. A well-balanced meal is served every day. During the past school year 40,662 meals were served and the sum of \$3,506.82 was received from the Federal Lunch Program.

TESTING PROGRAM

Present day school systems vary in many ways for justifiable reasons, but recognized systems have fundamentally basic procedures. One of these is a testing program. We are working on such a system whereby each student, as he progresses from Grade I to Grade XII, will experience twelve tests of achievements, five tests of intelligence, and ten tests of his reading ability. In addition to providing valuable information for guidance of individual students, we shall be able to judge results of each year's effort, and compare for indications of advancement or regression.

Another basic need is for a twelve year cumulative record system. This is closely allied with the testing and guidance program. A survey for such a system is now under way with recommendations forthcoming in the very near future.

SUPERVISORS

The appended report of the supervisors invite your careful attention. The supervisors are specialists in their respective fields. The teachers have much credit due them for the excellent manner in which they carry out the instructions of these special teachers.

CONCLUSION

I have enjoyed my work of the past six months. The cooperation of the principal and teachers have been outstanding. There will be many details to be reported upon when I have finished my survey of the school system. Audio-visual aids, the marking system, and guidance are subjects now being studied.

A physical education program has been started which should reveal outstanding results within a few years.

Mr. Dower has reported on the textbook replacements, as well as the work now under way on the report cards.

Miss Shea is to be congratulated on the progress of her reading program. We are looking forward to another year in which we shall find our children receiving more benefits from this extra help.

In closing, I wish to express my appreciation to you and the teachers for your efforts to improve the educational opportunities of the children intrusted to your care.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS L. RIVARD,

Superintendent of Schools.

ENROLLMENT STATISTICS

Table No. 1

Age-Grade Distribution

Registration — October 1, 1951

Howe-Manning School

Age Grade	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Total
I	10	28	1										39
II		12	23	7									42
III			10	41	7								58
IV				12	38	9			1				60
V					10	30	7	2		2			51
VI						5	19	9	2	3	1	1	40
VII							4	25	13	4			46
VIII								6	16	8	5	1	36
Total	10	40	34	60	55	44	30	42	32	17	6	2	372

Table No. 2
Teacher-Grade Distribution
October 1, 1951

	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Total
Miss Devane	28								28
Mrs. Shaw	11	10							21
Mrs. Johnston		32							32
Mrs. Warman			28						28
Miss Marino			30						30
Mrs. Cobb				30					30
Miss Hinkley				30					30
Miss Collins					26				26
Mrs. LaFortune					25				25
Mrs. Rikkola						40			40
Mr. Holmes							46		46
Mr. Branch								36	36
Total	39	42	58	60	51	40	46	36	372

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Howe-Manning School

To the Superintendent of Schools:

Complying with custom, it is a privilege and pleasure to present my first report as principal of Howe-Manning School to the citizens of Middleton. This report is divided into major sections, all of which having a major influence on the daily lives of teachers and students.

ENROLLMENT

A comparison with enrollment figures from last year's report reveals an increase of 21 pupils. The enrollment last year totaled 356 pupils. As of January 2, 1952, the pupil enrollment totaled 377 pupils. This enrollment, by grade, follows:

Grade I	40
Grade II	43
Grade III	60
Grade IV	61
Grade V	52
Grade VI	40
Grade VII	47
Grade VIII	34

377

FACULTY

The teaching staff includes twelve classroom teachers, an Art Supervisor, Music Supervisor, Reading Supervisor, Penmanship Supervisor, and the Principal. The staff represents an increase of two classroom teachers from last year's total of ten classroom teachers. In addition, the Penmanship Supervisor is a new member of the faculty.

The new members to join the faculty this year are: Miss Carmelina Marino, Mrs. Constance Cobb, Mrs. Ann LaFortune, Miss Patricia Collins, Mrs. Ann Rikkola and Mr. John Branch, all classroom teachers. Miss Dorothea Shea is Reading Supervisor, Mrs. Doris Nyquist as Music Supervisor, Miss Sonia Antis as Art Supervisor, Miss Barbara Bigham as Penmanship Supervisor, and the undersigned, as Principal, complete the roster. A complete roster of the teaching personnel may be found elsewhere in this report.

Obviously, this report would fall short of its purpose without early mention of the new addition, consisting of the combination auditorium-gymnasium and the four ultra-modern classrooms. It is the exception rather than the rule to have such facilities at the disposal of boys and girls attending elementary school. The pleasure evidenced by the pupils attending the Thanksgiving and Christmas assemblies and witnessing the various sports events is a tribute to the foresightedness on the part of all who, in any way, played a role in the erection of this structure.

Physical education classes are now an established segment in the overall educational plan for the boys and girls of Grades six, seven and eight. It is planned to have similar classes for the lower grades as soon as the necessary arrangements, which take time, can be made.

A basketball team, composed of boys of the seventh and eighth grades, are rapidly learning the basic fundamentals of the game under the capable direction of Mr. John Branch, teacher of Grade Eight. An ambitious schedule of games with schools in nearby communities has been arranged. In addition, Mr. Branch devotes a portion of his time each week working with the boys in the fifth and sixth grades so that, in time, these boys may have an opportunity to play on the school team.

Basketball for girls in the upper grades is being directed by Miss Patricia Collins, teacher of one of the two fifth grade classes. It is hoped that several games can be played with girls from other schools before the season ends.

Not the least of the new facilities afforded by the new addition is the new kitchen for the school cafeteria. A much greater seating capacity is now provided for the pupils at lunchtime. The new kitchen, with its many conveniences, has aided immeasurably the task of the lunch room staff who prepare and serve more than 300 hot lunches daily. A word of appreciation should be said here for the spirit and cooperation manifested by the staff of the cafeteria. Their many acts of kindness towards both pupils and faculty should not be allowed to pass unnoticed. Mrs. Margaret Osgood, cafeteria manager, is the capable director of this phase of the school's activities.

TEXTBOOKS

Many new textbooks have been purchased for the school during the first few months of the school year. There is now a basal reading series throughout all the grades. New England grammar texts have

been purchased for grades three through eight and junior high literature books have been obtained for grades seven and eight. In the field of social studies, a complete series of history and geography books have been obtained for grades four through eight. All of these texts were chosen by the staff and faculty after careful study and comparison of the many different types of textbooks being offered today by publishers.

TESTING

In the field of testing, at least one mental ability test has been administered to each child since the beginning of the school year. The Kuhlman-Anderson Test of Mental Ability has been administered in Grades One through Three. The Henman-Nelson Test of Mental Ability has been administered in Grades Four through Eight. In the primary grades, standard tests also employed include the Metropolitan Reading Readiness Test and the Scott-Foresman Tests of Reading Ability. The latter are employed in connection with the primary grade reading basal textbooks. Where the above-mentioned tests, which are all group tests, do not seem to furnish enough data on some children, individual tests are given. Tests used in this area include the Stanford-Binet, the Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children, and the Wechsler-Bellevue Intelligence Test, Form Two.

REPORT CARDS

Revision of the current style of report cards is now occupying the attention of a committee composed of faculty members, representatives of the Parent-Teacher Association and representatives of the School Committee. It is hoped that a revision of the present system of reporting marks can be accomplished in time for the next school year.

SCHOOL LIBRARY

At the time of this writing, bookcases for the school library are being constructed in the Reading Room by Mr. Gardner Holmes, teacher of Grade Seven. When these bookcases are completed, it will be possible to display the many books on hand in a proper manner. It is expected that when these facilities are available, they will be a boon to the reading enjoyment of the boys and girls of the school population.

TEACHERS' FACILITIES

Last but not least, new furniture consisting of a lounge and overstuffed chair, has been purchased and installed in the teachers' room.

Needness to say, the opportunity for a few restful moments in pleasant surroundings, during intervals in the school day, is a great aid to replenishing that energy needed by the teacher in facing the many tasks that lie ahead. This thoughtfulness on the part of the School Committee is deeply appreciated by the teaching staff.

CONCLUSION

At Howe-Manning School it is believed that elementary education furnishes the opportunity for the introduction to the basic principles of our democratic way of life. We recognize the paradox of training for future participation as free citizens through autocratic administrative and classroom practices. The democratic thread must run through the entire fabric of institutional operation. It must show respect for the personality of every student and develop means whereby highly diverse inborn capacities attain their highest possible expression.

Progressive achievement towards the goal of better understanding insures the attainment of those qualities essential to a society of free governing men and women. These qualities include an understanding and appreciation of democracy and democratic institutions; the development of characteristics that have democratic significance, such as individual capability and intelligent acceptance of social responsibility, open-mindedness, understanding, and cooperation in the promotion of the common good; and the employment of teaching methods through which these democratic goals may be obtained.

Our ultimate goal is this final concept: The teaching of students — not school subjects.

My appreciation is expressed here for the cooperation of the Superintendent of Schools, the School Committee, teachers, supervisors, Mr. Hayward, the Parent-Teachers Association, and to all who have assisted Howe-Manning School in any manner.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND S. DOWER, JR.

Principal.

REPORT OF READING SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The reading program has been unusually successful this year. The success has been due to the marked cooperation of parents, teachers, and pupils, as well as to the understanding and firm support of the administration and the school committee. Cooperation is the core of a good reading program and Middleton has this cooperation established to marked degree.

The testing program has been extended. Stanford-Binet Tests of Intelligence have been used largely in the first three grades and the findings have been interpreted to both teachers and parents. The Wechsler Bellevue Intelligence Scale for Children has been administered on the basis of individual need in the upper grades and has served a specific purpose in educational counseling. Kuhlmann Anderson Tests of Mental Ability were given in the primary grades on a group basis and Henman Nelson Tests of Mental Ability were given in the upper grades. Metropolitan Tests of Reading Readiness were given in grade one and Stanford Achievement Tests were given to selected groups in grades five and six. Scott Forsman Reading Tests were made available to teachers in grades one and two. Other reading tests were given to meet specific requirements.

A filing system that records all standard school tests for every pupil was established.

In reporting on a testing program it is essential to realize that final results cannot be ascertained either for a group or for a pupil. A testing program must be flexible enough to meet the developing needs of school or child. Constant referral to previous data should be made and careful comparison of group and individual scores help in establishing charts of progress and abilities. Sufficient data have thus far been accumulated so that the teachers now have an opportunity to check their pupil findings against standard scores of one or more tests. The tests themselves are also checked for their usefulness and accuracy through this comparison. Future tests will be given in order to meet the needs of the classroom as reported by the teachers as well as to survey the achievements of the school as a whole in relation to similar schools throughout the country.

In setting up the reading program for this year the main consideration was assistance to both teacher and pupil in meeting class-

room requirements. The only limitation was that assistance was given in the first six grades. The size of the reading groups prevented extension into grades seven and eight. Informal and formal testing revealed the causes of the difficulties encountered by the children. The first step in correction was to provide a classroom situation free from anxiety over real or supposed failure. The child was encouraged to recognize his particular abilities and to build on these. Special means of learning through individual abilities were presented and once initial success and confidence were established, the child was ready for further learning. The meanings and uses of common words were presented and both recognition and spelling were emphasized. Phonic drill was given first on known words and from this analysis of unknown words was given. Oral reading with meaning was stressed and the understanding of word, sentence, paragraph, and story followed in order in silent reading. Reading for pleasure was encouraged through discovery of the child's interests and provision of books that would encourage development of those interests. Periodic testing and teacher conferences indicated the level of progress. Upon attaining success in the classroom, pupils were given a standard achievement test to determine objectively the rate of progress and if it was felt the scores indicated they were working up to their abilities, they were dropped from the special reading group.

Of marked assistance were the conferences with parents who were often able to shed light on the cause or continuation of a reading problem. Too much cannot be said in appreciation of this voluntary help proffered by the parents.

The teachers presented both individual and class reading problems. Solutions were sought through study of abilities, educational achievements, kinds and frequency of errors; and remedial methods and materials were sought. Prevention of reading and learning disabilities is now coming forward as the major objective of the classroom teacher and it is hoped that with greater emphasis upon learning through individual abilities, rather than through the eye and ear alone, that pupils will find greater success in this basic school subject.

The contact with the Flint Public Library was most helpful in building classroom libraries. Loans for books were made for extended periods of time and filled a great need during the school library period as well as for spare time reading.

The year has been a busy one but fruitful in a way that is rare in the average community. Much credit is due to Middleton to those both in and out of the school, for their frank determination to recog-

nize, correct, and prevent learning difficulties among the children of their school.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHEA SHEA,

Reading Supervisor.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The following is a brief summary of all the activities pertaining to health that have been carried on by the Nursing Department throughout the year.

The majority of the children were protected against lockjaw by receiving the three immunizing injections of tetanus toxoid. Still others who have been previously immunized received a booster injection.

Patch Tests were applied to 326 children. Of this number 30 had positive reactions to the test. These were x-rayed and their chest films were found to be negative.

Both the Massachusetts Vision and Hearing Tests were done. All parents of children who failed were notified. These two defects left untreated can seriously impair a child's school work.

The children were weighed and measured and reports sent home to the parents. Notations were made on those excessively over or underweight.

Pediculosis offenders have been kept at a minimum. However, in most cases it is the same chronic cases that we have to contend with.

Dr. Rogers gave each child a physical examination and notices were sent home to those having defects. The major problems in two-thirds of the children were in the condition of their teeth. The teeth are in a deplorable state but, as yet, a dental program cannot successfully be worked out.

The Mental Hygiene Clinic was conducted in the spring and histories of the children involved were taken at their homes.

In conclusion, Dr. Rogers and I would like to thank Mr. Dower and the Teachers for their cooperation and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE M. BRENNAN, R.N.

REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I submit, with pleasure, this report of the music program in the public schools of Middleton.

We are continually striving to improve the ability of the elementary school child to read music, sing with a sweet and easy tone, and with expression and clear diction. Above all, we want to create a love of good music on the part of the child.

In the first grade we try to teach as many rote songs as possible, and give a great deal of attention to monotones, if there are any. The second grade learns many rote songs also, but begins to learn to read music. We strive to improve this ability in the third and fourth grades, so that by the time the child is in the fifth and sixth grades he is able to sing part music. We are doing much work on two and three part music in grades seven and eight.

Along with this general work, we are going to try to work in rhythm bands in the lower grades, and music appreciation in both lower and upper grades in the form of listening to records, learning about composers, and studying various instruments of the orchestra.

May I take this opportunity to thank all in the school system for their fine cooperation and friendliness.

Respectfully submitted,

DORIS M. NYQUIST

REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The work of the art classes is planned so that it becomes effective through successive stages.

The child is given much encouragement so that his natural confidence in his own ability to produce art work that is superior, will not be diminished.

Considerable attention is given to motivation, since the child's interest in a topic is necessary before any significant expression can be brought forth.

Problems are planned which are suitable for each grade level, and which the children can be expected to solve through their own efforts, guidance being given when needed.

Short lessons in technique or the use of tools are given as needed. In the upper grades the topics requiring discussion include: landscape, figure drawing, picture composition, lettering and perspective.

So far, this year, the media used have been crayon, water color, chalk, and cut paper. Two new media, spray guns and "Payons" (water color crayons) have been added to the supplies for use in the upper grades.

It is hoped that a greater variety of media can be added to the supplies, from time to time, since through the use of a variety of tools, the interest and initiative of the children is increased and greater artistic development becomes possible.

Respectfully submitted,

SONIA ANTIS

REPORT ON RINEHART FUNCTIONAL HANDWRITING SYSTEM

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I am pleased to report that our handwriting program, which was introduced into your schools in September, 1951, is showing progress. It is too early to attempt a statistical report but this will be forthcoming in time for your school report at the conclusion of the semester.

To date, we have provided your students with the necessary instructional folders and your teachers with the appropriate outlines, bulletins and motivation charts that will present an objective record of the progress that is made from month to month. We have held monthly teachers' meetings for the instruction of your teachers and visited each classroom in the elementary schools monthly for instructional purposes. It is our policy to administer a formal test each month to all students and to diagnose and grade these papers for eight specific items; namely, neatness, letter forms, size, alignment, spacing, slant, endings and line quality. In addition to this grading, we also grade three or four samples of informal handwriting in order to make the student conscious of the need for a practical application of what he has learned. We put special emphasis on the concomitants of learning such as neatness, attention to detail, accuracy, good work habits, etc.

We have been pleased with the excellent cooperation we have received from all the teachers and pupils to date.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM L. RINEHART,
Director.

HOWE-MANNING SCHOOL

Corps of Teachers 1951-1952

Name		Grade	Date of Appointment
Raymond S. Dower, Jr., B.A.,	University of N. H.		Sept. 1951
M.Ed., Principal	Boston University		
Catherine Devane	Lesley College	1	Sept. 1937
Marjorie Shaw, B.S.E.	Salem Teachers Col.	1&2	Sept. 1950
Nellie Johnston	Salem Teachers Col.	2	Sept. 1949
Grace Warman	Salem Teachers Col.	3	Sept. 1950
Carmelina Marino, B.S.E.	Boston University	3	Sept. 1951
Constance C. Cobb, B.S.E.	Boston University	4	Sept. 1951
Fannie C. Hinkley	Salem Teachers Col.	4	Sept. 1914
Patricia J. Collins, B.S.E.	Salem Teachers Col.	5	Sept. 1951
Ann LaFortune, B.A.	Trinity College	5	Sept. 1951
Ann Rikkola, B.S.E.	Wor. Teachers Col.	6	Sept. 1951
Gardner Holmes, B.S.	Northeastern Uni.	7	Sept. 1949
John Branch, B.A.	University of Maine	8	Sept. 1951

Supervisors

Dorothea Shea, B.A., M. Ed.	Boston University	Read.	Sept. 1951
Doris Nyquist, B.M.	N.E. Con. of Music	Music	Sept. 1951
Sonia Antis	Boston Museum School of Fine Arts	Art	Sept. 1951
William Rinehart, Director	Rinehart Functional Handwriting	Writing	Sept. '51

Janitor and Attendance

Nathan Hayward, Jr.

Middleton

Graduation Exercises

1951

PROGRAM

Processional "March Militaire"	Shubert
Robert D. Witham	
Invocation	
Rev. Louis S. Thompson	
Flag Salute	
Star Spangled Banner	
Chorus "Holy, Holy, Holy"	John B. Dykes
Recitation "If"	Rudyard Kipling
William Bernson	
Piano Solo "Ave Maria"	Franz Shubert
Janet Sherwood	
Recitation "Roberta's Good Intentions"	
Nancy Akstin	
Chorus "Woodland Rose"	E. Hermes
Class Prophecy	
Carlene Jones	
Piano Solo "From a Distant Steeple"	Stanford King
Beth Oliver	
Presentation of Class Gift	
Patricia Johnson, Robert Peachey	
Piano Solo "By A Blue Lagoon"	Maxwell Ekstein
Shirley Ferry	
Address	
Captain R. M. Burnham, U. S. Air Force	
Presentation of Awards	
Mr. Francis J. Albanese	
Awarding of Diplomas	
Mr. Eben L. Jewett	
Chairman of School Committee	
Chorus "America the Beautiful"	Samuel A. Ward
Benediction	
Rev. John T. Powers	
Recessional	

Class of 1951

Nancy Ann Marie Akstin
Philip Joseph Armitage
Clara Alice Barthelmy
William Victor Bernson, Jr.
David Francis Bishop
James Chrysostom Cabral
Bertram Earl Chase
David Whitfield DiTomaso
Thelma Marion Evans
Shirley Rena Ferry
Ann Maria Floyd

Alfred Lunt Gardner
Robert Hill Henley
Patricia Ann Johnson
Carlene Ann Jones
Arthur Walter Kilroy
Philip Mearll Knowlton
William Rudolph Lavoie
Addison Ludwig
Jill Gail Ludwig
William Robert Mugford
Natalie Beth Oliver

Marilyn Grace Paine
Sally Ellen Pelletier
Patricia Arlene Pellicelli
Alfred Emil Phaneuf
Kenneth Nash Phillips
Thomas Charles Sanborn
Janet Carol Sherwood
Leroy Elmer Sturtevant, Jr.
Lindsey Charles Trenholm
Kenneth Walter White

CLASS OFFICERS

President	P. A. Johnson
Vice-President	N. B. Oliver
Secretary	A. E. Phaneuf
Treasurer	J. C. Cabral

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